

# MORAL: IF YOU MUST ROB, DO IT WITH VIOLENCE!

MEDFORD—Stanley Cole and Lynford Dixon, transient youths, were sentenced to two years each in the state penitentiary by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton Wednesday when they pled guilty to a charge of stealing articles from parked automobiles at a Medford football game.

The pair had been indicted by the Jackson county grand jury after their recent arrest following the thefts which occurred during the Medford-Bend game on the night of Oct. 29. Most of the loot was recovered.

MEDFORD—Richard Messenger, Ashland drug clerk and confessed participant in the beating and robbing of E. D. Rice, Texas jewelry salesman south of Ashland Oct. 31, was freed by the Jackson county grand jury late last week. Messenger admittedly furnished the car and accompanied Eli Cagle, Marshall Hearn and Stanley Borden, Monmouth football players, on the assault and robbing expedition which left Rice lying bleeding beside the highway.

The Monmouth trio waived grand jury action but Wednesday entered pleas of not guilty despite their confessions. No date has been set for their trial.

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# THOUSAND THROUNGS VARSITY DEBUT



"IF AMERICA turns her back on God, we are sunk," declared a famous preacher Sunday. We don't know about that, but it seems God has kind of turned His head to one side in Europe and Asia.

A bunch of monkeys escaped from a Hollywood location the other day and segregation of them from among natives collected in the roundup would try the wisdom of a Solomon.

If coast labor troubles don't hurry up and taper off, labor soon will have trouble finding any business to picket.

The paradoxical ambiguity of politics is being demonstrated now in the current effort to have the most recent member of the supreme court declared unconstitutional.

Justice is not blind. She just winks at some offenders.

Perhaps no bore is as bad as the fellow who won't listen to your favorite story for the twentieth time.

Eight thousand acres of fine timber along the Crater Lake highway have been saved from logging operations and will stand intact "for posterity" or a carelessly-tossed cigaret.

It has become apparent that the sporting chance Japan has given the Chinese is "heads we win, tails you lose yours."

With mid-month already past, folks are beginning to complain because the weather has started acting like it was November.

It's getting to the point where elusive criminals will have to be put on a radio program so that right may triumph.

Middle age is that time in a man's life when his hair moves down onto his chin and his chest muscles get the drift, too.

Editor Clark Wood of Weston, who writes a column of doubtful rivalry to this one, probably will come under the partially-unemployed clause in the national job census. His mind has been on relief ever since he learned to set type.

This intra-state battle of words probably will go on indefinitely, because every time this department relaxes, that indolent Weston Leader editor always tries to quip his job.

Just one thing more. Last time Clark Wood slept under the stars he didn't get a wink of rest. Tumble bugs kept trying to roll him over all night long.

**GEORGE WILLIAM FRASER**  
Funeral services under the direction of the Litwiler Funeral home were held Monday afternoon from the Community church at Oakland, Ore., for George William Fraser, who died here Friday, Nov. 12. The deceased was a native of Oakland but had resided in Ashland for the last several months. He is survived by his widow, one son, a daughter, one brother and three grandchildren.

### UNEMPLOYED URGED TO FILL OUT, MAIL CARDS

GUY APPLEWHITE, chairman of an Ashland committee in charge of the unemployment census, urges every wholly or partly unemployed person to fill out the report cards which were distributed in the mail Tuesday and have them back in the post office not later than Saturday, November 20.

It is essential that the data required be at the national capitol immediately in order that necessary relief and rehabilitation funds be carried by congress in the 1938 national budget. Assistance in filling the cards will be given at The Miner office, by Applewhite or by other members of the mayor's committee, Mrs. Sam McNair and C. P. Talent.

**Information Confidential**  
Unemployed persons and partially unemployed who fill out and send in cards for the national unemployment census between November 16 and 20 need not fear that their names will be published, or made public in any way.

This pledge is contained in the instructions sent to all offices where the census is being taken.

"The confidential nature of the answers to questions on the unemployment report card will be respected by the administrator of the national unemployment census," the instructions state.

The information given by unemployed or other signers of the cards will not be used to their disadvantage in any way, such as in tax matters, questions of citizenship, or relief. The data on the cards is to be used solely for the purposes of the census. Further, positive action was taken to exclude from the census any supplementary enumeration or registration which might be imposed on the regular unemployment census by those seeking to take advantage of the government's undertaking for their own purpose.

Instructions went to all local (Continued on page 6)

### CULMERS GET DAUGHTER

An eight-pound daughter was born Thursday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Culmer at the Community hospital, Dr. C. A. Haines attending at the birth. The baby will be named Carita Marie.

### LAST STRAW! By LARRY HUNTER

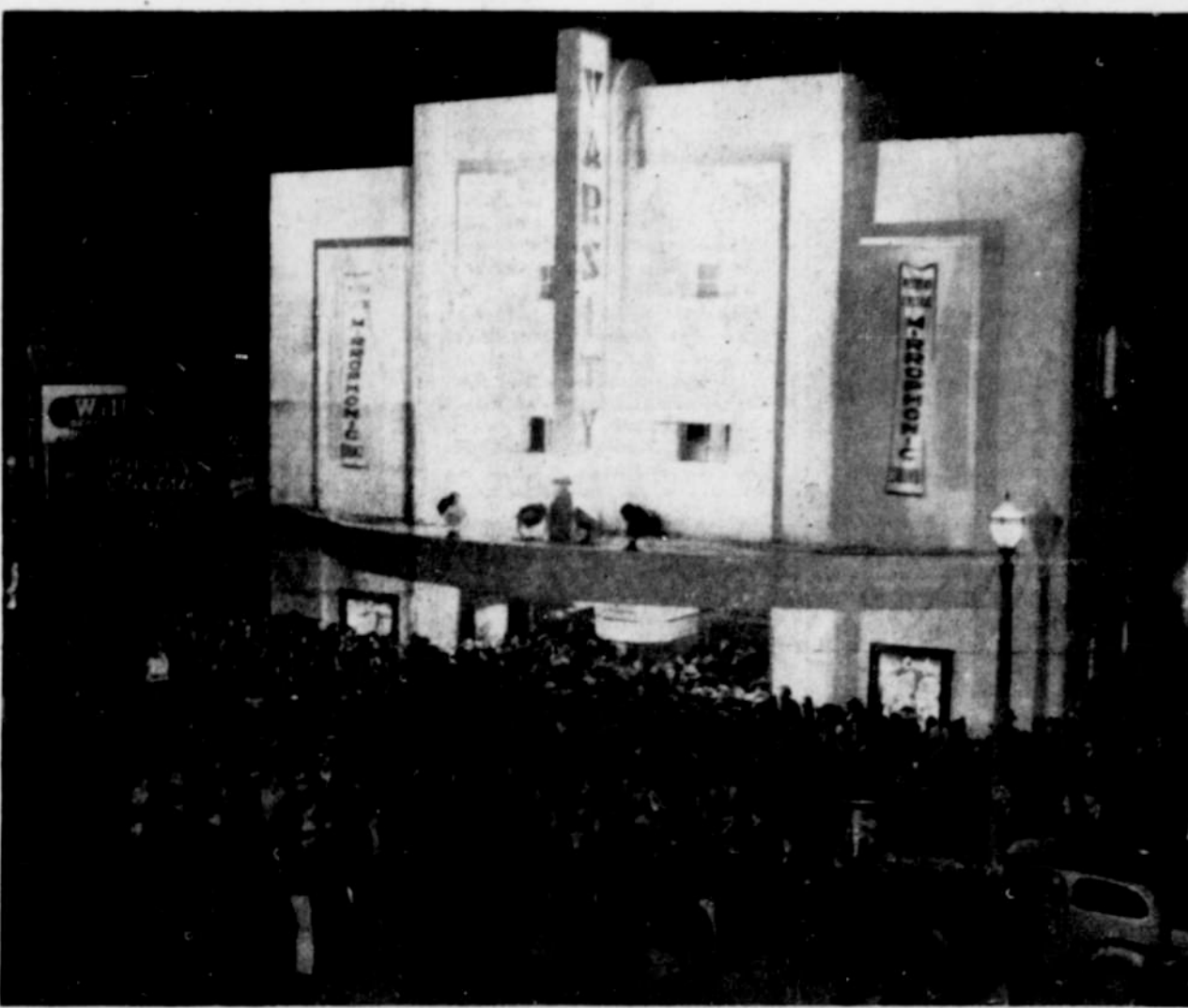
Of autumn I was fonder  
Than a chicken is of grain.  
On gloomy days I'd ponder  
As I sauntered in the rain.

I liked to watch the yellow leaves  
That fluttered in the breeze.  
Oh, the fall and I were thick as thieves  
And closer than knock-knees!

But now all that is ended—  
The days I loved have sinned—  
And all that I thought splendid  
Is just gone with the wind!

For my new five dollar bonnet  
Caught a gusty lift this week,  
And six other guys stepped on it  
As it tried to pull a sneak!

### As Crowds Pressed for Inside Glimpses!



THURSDAY EVENING was gala opening night in Ashland when more than 1,000 persons crowded into Walter Leverette's new Varsity theater for the \$75,000 house's inaugural bow to the public. Shortly after 6 p. m., when the above picture was taken by Photographer Wilbur Bushnell from atop The Miner building, East Main street was choked with anxious theatergoers waiting their turn as Cashier Helen Lee entered the busiest half-hour of her life.

### Troop 13 Wins Scout Rally Prize Antlers

Troop 13, Ashland Boy Scouts, amassed the greater number of points in a competitive rally with members of Troop 12 Friday night and were awarded the mounted antlers of "Teddy," famed Lithia park elk, as indication of their supremacy.

More than 150 spectators watched the Scouts go through their paces in knot-tying contests, drills and stunts before high Scout officials of the area.

### Ashland Ski Club To Call Meeting Soon

John Daugherty, president of the Mt. Ashland Ski club, this week announced that he would call a meeting of the organization some time shortly after Thanksgiving to discuss plans for the winter sports season. Time and place will be announced later and members and interested persons will be urged to attend.

Daugherty said he had not been informed of a decision of the Medford Snowmen, made at a meeting early this week, to abandon their Crater Lake run because of traveling distance involved and use the Mt. Ashland course, but stated that the local club will be glad to cooperate in any way possible with the Medford skiers to improve the Mt. Ashland track and approach road.

At present there is a fine shelter house on the site and Ashland members plan to build benches and make other improvements with treasury funds this year. Other officers of the local club are Mrs. M. P. Dunn, vice president; Mrs. Frank Van Dyke, secretary, and Foster Thompson, treasurer.

### Etta Studer Evans Is Buried Wednesday

Funeral services for Etta Studer Evans were held Wednesday afternoon from the Litwiler Funeral home with the Rev. E. E. Wordsworth officiating. Mrs. Evans died Monday evening at her home on the star route.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Pearl Ashcraft, and a son, James Beeden, both of Ashland, and one brother, Will Studer, Ferndale, Ark. Interment was in the Ashland cemetery.

Cliff Hazelwood is spending several days this week at Sherwood, Ore.

### ASHLAND WILL BUTTON UP FOR THANKSGIVING

ALL STORES, the post office, Ashland branch of the First National bank of Portland and all schools of the city will be closed next Thursday, Nov. 25, in cooperation with national observance of Thanksgiving day. Both the city schools and Southern Oregon Normal school will hold last previous classes Wednesday and will remain closed until Monday, Nov. 29, allowing students and teachers a full week-end holiday.

Churches of the city will meet in union services at 10 a. m. Thanksgiving day in the Methodist Episcopal church. As services are scheduled to be of only 55 minutes duration, all attending are being urged to come promptly at the starting hour.

The Rev. Melville T. Wire, president of the Ashland Ministerial association, will preside. Opening prayer will be given by the Rev. E. E. Wordsworth, scripture lesson by the Rev. C. E. Dunham, and reading of the Thanksgiving proclamation by the Rev. James E. Morgan.

The Rev. J. H. Edgar, Presbyterian, will preach the sermon of the day on the topic, "Be Ye Thankful," and a Thanksgiving anthem has been especially prepared by the choir of the Methodist church, directed by L. H. Hansen. Collection taken at the meeting will go to local charity.

### DRIVES PAST 'STOP' FINED

Andrew J. DeLisle was assessed a fine of \$2.50 and costs Monday in justice court following his arrest by state police for failure to stop at a state highway intersection. The fine was remitted.

### NEW ASHLAND THEATER TAPS ENTHUSIASMS

COMING EARLY to witness formal opening of the new Varsity theater at 6:30 o'clock last evening, more than 1,000 persons took seats and stood in lobby of the luxury playhouse, latest Walter H. Leverette enterprise, to witness its premier showing and dedication.

Doors were opened shortly after the appointed hour with ceremonies in which Gertrude Wenner as "Miss Ashland" wielded the official golden key. She was attended by her princesses, Juanita Moon and Dolly DeSantis.

Frank J. Van Dyke, president of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce, addressed the audience gathered in the big auditorium and, after a brief congratulatory statement to the management, introduced Irvin E. Vining, personal representative of Mayor T. S. Wiley. Vining sketched the history of the theater in Ashland from pioneer days to the present, reiterated Van Dyke's remarks and best wishes, and the curtains parted. The show, first for the new cinema palace, was on.

**Represents Heavy Investment**  
Erected at an expense of \$75,000, the new Varsity is a composite of ultra-modern styling and fine materials furnished by local firms.

From the threshold to backstage wall the house is a perfect example of the "classic-modern" trend in building. Simplicity of line begins with the snow-white stucco front, extends through a spacious lobby and is accentuated by the softly lighted auditorium where curves and angles are blended to bring out the final touch in beautiful decoration.

Designed by Frank C. Clark and Robert Keeney, Medford architect. (Continued on page 8)



DARBY O'TOOLE getting a warm homecoming welcome from CORINNE ROBINSON. CLIFFORD GULMER eagerly giving I. C. ERWIN a new daughter cigar in anticipation of reciprocity.

LOIS MOORE almost, but not quite mind you, driving off the wrong car when memory played tricks.

ELVA CLAIRE JONES adding her say-so to what a new theater should be.

EDDIE MOORE getting mash notes from a certain attractive blond while frowning JASPER REYNOLDS reads over his shoulder.

HELEN LEE making faces. STEVE ZARKA peddling about.

AL SIMPSON and HARRY HOXIE contemplating future fun at punching each other's nose.

GEORGE SHAFFER very disgruntled with WALT SETH-ER'S long touchdown run against Chico—at a free haircut every 10 yards.