

## PRIZES TO FEATURE DEC. 3 OPENING

### City To Bid for Winter Relief Projects

### ASHLAND SHOPS PROMISE MANY FREE YULE GIFTS

STRIVING to focus complete attention on Christmas merchandise offerings, Ashland merchants, welded together behind the idea by an executive committee, will hold formal annual Christmas opening on the evening of Friday, Dec. 3, when at 7:30 o'clock show windows will be unveiled to reveal selected holiday displays and valuable prizes to holders of lucky tickets.

Stores and the city's main street will be decorated next week and to add to the festive atmosphere noisemakers and carnival paraphernalia will be distributed to the crowd. Santa Claus will be on hand to increase the enjoyment of children.

The opening is sponsored by the Ashland Chamber of Commerce, C. M. Litwiler general chairman. Financing of the event is under the leadership of I. C. Erwin; prize tickets, John Daugherty; publicity, J. G. Anderson, and merchant prizes, Hal McNair.

Erwin and McNair joined forces with their committees to secure small cash donations to defray expenses and promises of prizes to be offered by individual merchants. They report that in virtually every place contacted the plan met with warm reception and much enthusiasm has been expressed.

A house-to-house canvass will be made next week by workers under Daugherty to distribute tickets bearing duplicate numbers of the window prizes, and additional tickets will be handed out to students in schools of Ashland and vicinity.

Following is a list of merchants who are cooperating to make this opening the most successful in Ashland's history. All are making cash donations and the majority (Continued on page 6)

### SEEN in a DAZE



By Our KEYHOLE REPORTER

PELL BROADY bickering with his barber.

BERT WRIGHT hitting the hot spots of a Friday night.

BATTLING HERSCHEL CLAYCOMB and TERRIBLE VIC PHEIFFER playing tumble-tag.

MRS. ELLEN PATTERSON (nee Merryman) hurrying to Portland for a family reunion.

R. E. MOON, BOB FLAHERTY, CAL McCLELLAND, MAX ROBERSON, ANGUS BOWMER, JUNE DAVIS and JANE HALL furnishing, en toto, 1/2-carporter power on a new construction job at CLAYCOMB'S.

DICK PETERSEN denying all with the cryptic conjugation: "I aint done nothing, we aint done nothing, they aint done nothing."

A houseful of happy ELKS and guests getting antlers in their pants.

BILL De WITT coyly inviting a young lady passenger to sit in the front seat.

LOGAN NININGER admitting that a recent hunting trip was no wild goose chase.

CORINNE ROBINSON saying "I do not love him EDDIE MOORE."

EBE DUNN remarking that times are getting so now he sometimes admits he's a republican. But only in picked company.

HELEN (Goldfish) LEE puzzling the Keyhole Reporter with enigmatic remarks.

FRANK VAN DYKE selling winning paddles to himself.

MIKE WOLCOTT sticking his neck out around his bulky body-guard, JOHN DRAGER.

DARBY O'TOOLE and HARLEY BROWER renewing the proverbial argument between the Irish and the Dutch with gestures.

LARRY CHAMBERLIN suggesting to crossword puzzle fan SADIE MILLER that "pandise" be used to denote "a room in a baron."

### GRIFFITH WILL OUTLINE WPA AID OUTLOOK

E. J. GRIFFITH, state WPA administrator, has promised to speak at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, Nov. 30, before business men of Ashland at the Hotel Ashland in a special dinner meeting at which time future WPA needs and possibilities for this district will be outlined.

The meeting is being sponsored by the Ashland Chamber of Commerce and active leadership, including ticket sales, is in the hands of Guy Applewhite, who said a crowd of 50 or more diners is expected.

Griffith will explain WPA intentions and requirements for the Ashland area during the meeting and listeners will have an opportunity to gain a better understanding of winter relief measures and possibilities here. Those attending are urged to have definite ideas for constructive projects on hand for discussion, according to Applewhite.

Tickets may be obtained from Applewhite or Postmaster John Fuller.

### FIRE DESTROYS \$2000 TOOL SHED

Fire of unknown origin Wednesday evening destroyed a tool house on a farm owned by Henry Enders near the junction of the old Pacific highway and the East Main street road south of the city. Damage of between \$1500 and \$2000 was estimated by the owner.

Enders said he was driving along the road in front of the toolhouse, which was situated about 200 yards from the road, at about 8:30 p. m. and that he noticed a small blaze but thought it was in an old haystack owned by Mark True. However, as he watched, a gasoline drum exploded and by the reflection on a nearby barn he was able to check the exact location of the conflagration.

City firemen responded immediately to a call by True, whose attention was called by barking dogs, but by the time the pumper could be placed in action on Bear creek the building was unguined in flames, although firemen were able to throw enough water to protect a large barn, also owned by Enders, and the Mark True home, which was nearby, from flying sparks and flames.

Destroyed in the building were a \$900 tractor, a binder, saddles, some grain, a scraper, complete furnishings for a bunkhouse and numerous small tools. The tool shed had an approximate value of \$600. The tractor was protected by \$500 in insurance.

Two firemen, Kenneth Baldwin and Colver Anderson, received minor burns on hands and face while saving a few sacks of grain and small equipment from the fire.

Eleanor Olum and Barbara Kay, OSC students, are visiting at the home of their parents here for the duration of the Thanksgiving holidays.

### VALOR'S THE BEST PART OF ETIQUETTE

By LARRY HUNTER

At a time of the year  
When all who are able  
Are chiefly concerned  
With the dining room table,  
I feel that a layman's  
Entitled the most  
To an etiquette joust  
With Emily Post!  
Her dictum will tell you  
A fellow must have a  
Spoon horizontal  
While supping his java,  
But I think a medal  
Should go to the guy  
Who leaves spoon in the cup  
Without losing an eye!

### Medford Gets Upset Win Over Eugene Hi

MEDFORD high school gridmen took advantage of an opening kickoff fumble by Eugene on their own one-yard line to score first against the favored Axemen in the Medford turkey-day classic. Eugene marched up the field to tie the score 7-7 in the opening three minutes but a Medford pass, Caples to Hill, later in the game gave Bowerman's boys the six-point lead which lasted the rest of the afternoon, the Black Tornado gaining sweet revenge, 13-7, for the 44-0 drubbing handed them last year in Eugene.

Last Friday the Tigers gained undisputed possession of the southern Oregon gridiron crown by dumping Grants Pass 6-0 into the mud of the Cavemen's own field.

### ENGINEER WILL SURVEY POST OFFICE NEEDS

THE Ashland Chamber of Commerce has received a letter from Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Smith W. Purdum to the effect that the postal department will send Floyd M. Williams, postal engineer, to this city next week to survey federal building needs here.

Mrs. Marchial Stansbury, chamber secretary, said the letter was in response to a telegram sent to James H. Farley, postmaster general, when he was in Portland on his recent coast trip. The wire emphasized need for a new federal building in Ashland.

Although much discussion and correspondence has flared and waned intermittently locally in favor of such a project, this new development is believed to be the best omen yet evinced of a possibility that Ashland will get the allotment necessary and is a powerful reminder of the effective work being turned out by the local chamber of commerce personnel.

### ALIENISTS AGREE E. H. FEHL INSANE

Earl H. Fehl, deposed Jackson county judge, is alleged to be suffering from paranoia, or insanity in which the acts are systematized, by a physicians' certificate which was filed Wednesday in circuit court and signed by Dr. D. C. Berkes, Dr. C. O. Sturdevant and Henry H. Dixon, Portland alienists.

The certificate and report to the effect that Fehl is insane and in need of institutional care for his own safety and the safety of others was read Wednesday noon by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton in the presence of attorneys for Fehl, and Fred Kelly, who filed the insanity complaint after Fehl, motivated by a persecution complex, had brought several damage suits against supposed conspirators against him. Kelly alleges that the fiery former judge is "dangerous to be at large." Hearing will be held Wednesday, Dec. 1.

### WHEELS WITHIN WHEELS!



HUNDREDS of bicycles that have been picked up by the Detroit police after being lost or stolen find their way among the articles being auctioned off semi-annually. Police wonder why these bikes are never called for by their owners. Chester Klukowski, 11, is shown undecided as to which one he will choose to bid on at the auction at the police warehouse.

### It Was Criminal Negligence!

Late this week three Portland alienists, after a four-hour conference, adjudged former county judge Earl H. Fehl insane. According to their reports, the former prison inmate is "suffering from paranoia and for this reason is insane and in need of institutional care for his own protection and the protection of others."

So, perhaps, Earl will be removed from society before his derangement becomes violent.

Former Editor Llewellyn A. Banks, too, was a victim of paranoia—with its delusions of grandeur and persecution—and was permitted free reign despite his threats of open armed revolt and printed intentions to greet any peace officer with a hail of lead.

Had keepers of the peace in Jackson county at that time shown enough fortitude to protect the public interest, George Prescott would still be alive and Banks, instead of serving a life sentence for murder, would be receiving care for the mentally sick.

Back in those days of political upheaval too many county office holders were "sitting tight" while a pair of demented men ran amuck. Guts would have averted bloodshed and the keepers of the peace knew it.

Today it meets with popular approval when such a man as Fehl is removed to an institution. In 1933, it would not have been the popular thing to do, alforder prison inmate is "suffering from paranoia greater."

Pending disposition of the Fehl case points out more clearly than ever that the blood of a peace though need of such action was proportionately officer slain in 1933 by Banks stains the hands of those men who lacked the courage to back up what they knew was right.

### Drunken Driver Gives Cops Slip, Gets Fine

Byron Works, Talent, arrested Monday night by state police for drunken driving, was taken to the county jail Tuesday to face trial in justice court, this being his second offense. He was arrested in 1935 by city police.

After his incarceration in the city jail Monday night, Works called Officer Moon to the cell and claimed that he had a stomach ache. Moon called Dr. Harvey Woods who came down and took the man to the hospital. While Woods was locating a nurse Works sneaked away. City Patrolmen Moon and Thomas took up the trail and found the culprit on the railroad tracks headed for Talent, recaptured him and held him here until his transfer to the county lockup in Medford.

Works pled guilty to the charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor and was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail and fined \$100 by Justice of the Peace W. R. Coleman.

### 'THE MIKADO' TO BE GIVEN BY ELKS

"The Mikado," famous musical comedy, will be presented the evening of Thursday, Dec. 2, at the Lithia theater by a semi-professional cast under the direction of George W. Maddox. The production is under the sponsorship of Ashland lodge No. 944, BPOE.

Seats for adults will be divided into two moderate price classes and a special section will be reserved for children at an even lower admission charge, according to Harold Aikins.

### CARS COLLIDE AT AUCTION

Jess Barton, SONS student, Tuesday reported an accident to city police which involved his car and one driven by a Miss Haynes. The latter car is alleged to have driven into a road near the overhead crossing south of the city from a space among several cars parked in front of an auction sale. Small damage resulted when the Barton vehicle struck the one entering the highway.



ENGLAND is considering resuming war debt payments to the United States and we can be certain that she's interested more in what such remittances will buy rather than in what they'll pay.

Southern California real estate always has moved easily, but the Los Angeles chamber of commerce is strangely silent about the mountain that is sliding onto a highway.

Crime is a more far-reaching problem than most people realize. Even the news photographer suffers. Famous criminals always hide their faces while unknown cops eagerly leer into the lens.

Which reminds us that the newspaper business has developed a new enervating disease called water-on-both-shoulder-blades.

Government relief has been called a "racket," but that's nothing compared to the din that's set up when the administration starts curtailing it.

Once again that annual weekend scourge of all hash haters has arrived. Cold turkey today, pick your teeth with bones tomorrow and hash Sunday. And next week, you lucky people, comes first of the month.

A politician is a fellow who's just a reed before the wind that has been hollowed out and notched to make a noise.

International aid to ravished countries looks strangely similar to the abundance of relief tendered bonus marchers in Washington during the Hoover administration.

If Uncle Sam again listens to war-loan pleas from Europe, it'll be because he's a sucker for sucker.

Just when this department had decided that it had finally quieted Editor Clark Wood of Weston the wind shifted around to the northeast again.

Our venerable and ageing competitor across the street was presented with a giant turnip by an admirer early this week. The Miner is awaiting formal opening of the Fort George Outpost to donate a bouquet of onions.

A cynic is the fellow who thinks half a loathe is better than none.

There are two types of indulgent people. Those who pore over the faults of mankind and those who pour.

Perhaps the reason construction jobs in Ashland draw such a responsive gallery is because they've been such a novelty.

Speaking of things a column wide and a yard long, we'd just as leaf a certain editor would actually, honest-to-John get to that Last Word.

### Hurst Group To Take Over Lithia Theater Here December 15th

Possession and operation of the Lithia theater will revert to the owner, Harry B. Hurst, Dec. 15, according to Mrs. Hurst, who yesterday pointed out that there was some misunderstanding in Ashland as to when the lease held by Walter J. Leverette for the last five years would expire.

"The Ashland Amusement company, a subsidiary of the Fox interests, will take over the house on that date," explained Mrs. Hurst yesterday. "At that time, it is expected that extensive remodeling and improvements will be made in the Lithia theater."

Harry Hurst will act as a silent partner in the recently incorporated amusement company, it was explained.