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BOUQUET FOR THE TIDINGS!

The Miner's venerable competitor, the Ashland Daily Tidings, this week located itself in its new building on East Main street.

Unexpected as it may seem, this stronghold of weekly and witty journalism wishes to extend sincere congratulations to the Tidings publishers and staff and admit we'd like to be in a new building of our own too.

Although The Miner and Tidings are competitors and each is looking out for its own interests, still we both are brothers in trade, and it is no more than right that we admit George Green and the boys across the street have earned a big hand.

There should be room for two newspapers in Ashland (and there is) so we wish the Tidings well. But give us your business.

FIRST, CALL AN AMBULANCE!

The worst thing that can be done for persons seriously injured in automobile accidents is to bundle them into a private car and rush them off to a hospital. Dr. Fred Stricker of the University of Michigan advises. Bone and skull fractures are frequently aggravated by quick or unskilled handling. When an ambulance can be called, first aid should be limited chiefly to keeping the patient warm and halting profuse bleeding. If no other transportation is available, the patient may be carried to a hospital in the bed of a truck, provided broken bones have been splinted and the patient is kept warm.

PORTLAND JOURNALISM IN THE HELL-BOX!

According to newspapers, about the worst inconvenience the public can suffer from a strike is suspension of newspaper publication.

In Portland, this week, there has been unprinted pandemonium with the three dailies disabled by a printers' strike. Readers all over the state have missed their Journals, Oregonians and News Telegrams but, according to authoritative counsel, the readers will survive.

The strike, which had been impending for several weeks, was given a build-up by the three affected dailies and the publishers' side of the argument presented to the public. According to Journal, Oregonian and News Telegram accounts, the newspapers are being done a great injustice by pay-greedy printers. Well, maybe yes, maybe no.

Printers as a whole are a trained, intelligent group of tradesmen who must complete six years apprenticeship before becoming a journeyman member of the typographical union. Their organization is the closest-knit and the most powerful in America, yet the typographical union has pioneered the way in caring for its own, in establishing fraternal benefits. The printers' union maintains the greatest home for the aged and the sick in the country at Colorado Springs, Colo. The printers have a sound, dependable pension system and protect themselves with death and mortuary benefits that would make social security look like primitive economics.

So, granted that printers—highly skilled craftsmen—are ordinarily an intelligent, reasonable and thoughtful group, then it appears possible that other provocation than that presented for public consumption by the newspapers may be entwined in the present Portland strike.

Certainly, the printers' side of the case must have merit because they, too, like to work regularly, draw their pay checks and live in calm contentment. Members of the typographical union cannot justly be called communistic or radical trouble-makers, or unseasoned in good citizenship.

You've got to respect any organization with enough self control and discipline to walk off their jobs leaving all equipment serviced for a shut-down and in good condition. They demonstrated that their union

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is compact, reliable and responsible. There has been no violence, no demonstration and no evidence of raucous defiance in their actions. The publishers and printers were unable to agree and, after lengthy negotiation, were still at loggerheads so the printers simply backed up their stand by walking off their jobs until agreement can be reached.

Readers who miss their Portland papers should be hesitant in condemning the striking printers, because only the publishers' side of the dispute has been presented by the affected publications.

A MISTREATED COLUMN COMPLAINS!

Perhaps one of the most abused departments of any newspaper (unless it is the editor's own) is the Letters to the Editor section, wherein readers are welcome to express their views of current topics.

Frequently newspapers are forced either to edit or throw out entirely contributions which disqualify themselves for a number of reasons, more prominent of which are the following:

Resorting to personalities—calling names instead of presenting arguments for or against a question.

Length—rambling on and on when, probably, a few short sentences would better present the gist (if any) of the communication.

The last-word complex—yielding to the human urge to always have the last word, whether it makes sense or not.

Even so, however, The Miner as well as other newspapers, always welcomes contributions and expressions from its readers. But please bear in mind that the Letters to the Editor department is for presentation of thought, not vilification.

There is no moral or practical reason why a newspaper should be expected to print all communications regardless of their content. If you feel like calling somebody a lot of names, do it to his face and don't bother us. And if you nurse a desire to make personal remarks about the editor's intelligence, don't expect him to be eager to smear your dislikes all over his own newspaper.



By EARL SNELL Secretary of State

WHAT RIGHTS DO I HAVE IF LEADING ANIMALS ON THE HIGHWAY?

You may signal motorists coming from the opposite direction to stop, and they must do so, giving you a reasonable time to drive or lead your animals past. Motorists must use caution in passing animals going in the same direction, and in any case must stop their motors if necessary to prevent frightening the animals and causing accident or injury.



IS IT LEGAL FOR ME TO HITCH-HIKE?

No. In Oregon it is unlawful for you to stand in a roadway for the purpose of soliciting a ride from the driver of any private vehicle.

About People You Know!

George Carter, county clerk, was a business visitor from Medford Monday.

Mabelle Jones, Carl Brower, Victor Sander, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hall, Margaret Short, Jule Wallin, Logan Nininger, Jean Eberhart, Frank Van Dyke, Bob Purvis, Arch Barksdale, Jack Forsythe and Larry Hunter skied at Crater Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Horning of Grants Pass were Sunday visitors in Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Burns left this week for San Francisco where Burns will attend school.

Mrs. Nellie Benson of Medford was a week-end guest at the home of Irene Wehrli.

Dr. C. A. Haines returned Monday from a business trip to San Francisco.

Mrs. Ruth Goss returned to Ashland Saturday after several weeks spent in Eugene and Salem.

Jasper Reynolds left for Portland Wednesday after a brief visit with his parents here.

Dr. E. G. Everett, M. D., physician and surgeon, Hersey building, office phone 18-J, residence 18-L. (1fc)

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stevens and two children of Phoenix were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Hastings. Little Chloe Stevens remained during the first part of the week as a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Hastings.

Ted Barnes, SONS student, returned Tuesday from Corvallis where he visited his parents.

George Steele, chef at the Lithia Hotel coffee shop, left Saturday for Youngville, Pa., for a 15-day visit with his mother, who has been seriously ill. During his absence Jack Halfhill is employed at the hotel.

Lois Wiley, Grants Pass teacher, was a week-end visitor at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burns of Klamath Falls visited at the home of Burns' parents here this week.

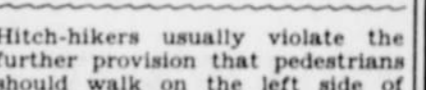
Mr. and Mrs. James Metz went to Eugene Saturday for a brief stay with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Claycomb left Wednesday for the northern part of the state. They will conduct business in Salem before going on to Portland to visit over the week-end with their daughter Jean, who attends Reed college there.

Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Walker were week-end guests in Grants Pass at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Walker, parents of the local dentist.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Anderson

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of Medford were visitors here Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stanbrough, who recently were married in Grants Pass, returned to their home here Tuesday. Mrs. Stanbrough is the former Miss Dee Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. George V. Gillette returned to Ashland this week to make their home.

Robert Yeo, faculty member of the Grants Pass schools, visited his parents here last week-end.

Dorance Ruger of Hills spent the last week-end in Ashland visiting parents and friends.

W. D. Whittle went to San Francisco Sunday on business.



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