



ABOUT the only way some people could collect their wits would be by resorting to kleptomaniac.

John D. M. Hamilton, national chairman of the republican party, has been presented with a "streamline" elephant, which is a company-manners way of saying it's getting skinny.

The most overworked farewell is "Don't work too hard."

The person who feels sorry for himself not only is wasting sympathy, but also is kidding the object of his affection.

Science has prolonged the life-span of humans, and at the same time has devised more efficient ways of killing them. Take a bow, Civilization.

Rival pilots of fame are beginning to criticize Douglas Corrigan's flight to Ireland as "foolish." It is suspected the emerald of Erin has colored their eyes.

This is "Clean Up Rural Mail Boxes" week and box owners probably wish the post office department would cooperate by not cluttering 'em with window-pane envelopes every month.

The New Deal's pump-priming program may be all wet, but you can't start a well to flowing by just spitting on your hands.

Modern aviation may be a fairly safe means of transportation, but this department would like something more substantial than an oil-slick in the Pacific for a headstone.

Yes, sadly enough, it seems that Father Time has exchanged his scythe for Clippers.

With business the way it is, about the only thing that's on the barrel-head now is, the cashier's hip pockets.

A professor claims that climatic conditions are reflected in political trends. Seems like the last real dry spell ended about time Hoover lost his lease on the White House and 3.2 was changed from a devil's potion to a light beverage.

The country may never go to the dogs, but a lot of husbands are familiar with the critters' accommodations.

Credit was invented so borrowers can keep off their uppers by going on the cuff.

Rival Editor Clark Wood has cast slurs at us for alleged feeble-mindedness. Clark is that Weston whelp who has to fret for seven days before he can come up with a weak idea.

Modernistic Beauty Shop to Be Reopened In Ashland Saturday

The Ashland Hotel Beauty shop, under the management of Miss Portia McKean, who has been operating Mary's Beauty salon here for about a year, will be opened for public inspection Saturday, Aug. 6, following two weeks of extensive renovating and remodeling.

The beauty shop will feature "streamlined" fittings and chromium furniture, as well as a staff of competent, experienced operators. Assisting Miss McKean will be Miss Clara Pederson.

Throughout Saturday R. Stangler of Chicago, special representative of a machineless permanent wave company, will give demonstrations. The general public is invited to inspect the new innovation in beauty shops at the hotel location on East Main street.

AUTO REGISTRATIONS CONTINUE TO MOUNT

Final tabulations of out-of-state car registrations by the Ashland Chamber of Commerce for the month of July totaled 522, a new all-time high for the Ashland and all other Oregon motorist portals. More than half a thousand dollars was taken over the counter during the same month in payment for resident and non-resident hunting and fishing licenses, Secretary Marchial Stansbury announced this week.

SELLOUT CROWDS TO THRONG SHAKESPEAREAN OPENING HERE

POLICE REPORT SHOWS DROP IN CRIME FOR CITY

ACCORDING to the semi-annual report submitted to the Ashland city council Tuesday night, Aug. 2, by Chief of Police C. P. Talent for his department, crime continued on the wane in this city during the first six months of 1938.

Carrying on a perfect record—unblemished since his appointment by Mayor Wiley several years ago—Talent's office has gained convictions in all of the 42 arrests made during the period from Jan. 1 through June. Officers also recovered three stolen automobiles from other localities and apprehended drivers of each, while no cars were stolen in Ashland during that time.

Seven juvenile cases were handled by the department, indicating further improvement over conditions of former years here. Eighteen hundred twenty-nine calls for investigation and information were handled by the police, the report showed.

The council allotted \$500 for lithia water advertising signs to be erected at the city plaza during the meeting, and a contract was let through a local concern for one unit of a two-piece neon sign to read "Lithia water, free, ice cold."

The transfer of the incomplete lease of W. W. Wood, manager of the Ashland Community hospital, a city property, to Mrs. Karl Nims was favored by city fathers. The council's realty committee will arrange details of the change in management.

An extension of sewer facilities south of the city to include a new tourist camp was favored by the officials, and 800 feet of new sewer was authorized for Emerick and Maple streets west of Rock street.

Former Ashland Lad Captured; Will Face Roseville Murder Rap

Everett Gilbert Parman, former Ashland youth charged with the shooting down of George McElroy, college student, in Roseville, Calif., recently, was captured by California state patrolmen after a running gun battle Monday near Eureka, Calif.

Ashland police had kept a week-end vigil in an effort to apprehend the fugitive following receipt of information that Parman might be headed toward this city. The accused murderer has a father and an aunt residing here and ran afoul the law on a concealed weapon charge in Ashland about a year ago, previous to his departure for Roseville.

What's the Answer?



YAWNING is an action caused by the nerves which connect with our lungs. When the air in our lungs is empty of the proper amount of oxygen required to maintain a healthy blood supply, the lungs immediately communicate that fact to these little nerves which in turn take the message to the brain. The brain transmits the emergency call to certain muscles which go to work and force one to open his mouth and take in a large supply of air with its clean, pure oxygen.

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First Night Baseball Game Is Scheduled

Mayor Proclaims Festival Valuable Ashland Benefit

WHEREAS, the city of Ashland is appreciative of the work and enterprise of Mr. Angus L. Bowmer of the Southern Oregon Normal school in initiating and continuing the annual Shakespearean festival here, and

Whereas, the festivals are becoming a valuable Ashland tradition, widely known in other parts of the Pacific coast, and

Whereas, the people of Ashland should encourage this movement as a civic and artistic expression, and

Whereas, the approach used in the Elizabethan theater is unique and individual, there being no other like enterprise in the entire country, and

Whereas, the 1938 festival opens tonight, Aug. 5, and will continue through Saturday, Aug. 13,

Now, therefore, I, T. S. Wiley, mayor of the city of Ashland, do hereby on this day of our Lord, Aug. 5, 1938, urge every Ashland citizen to give his support and encouragement to this fourth annual Oregon Shakespearean festival.

T. S. WILEY, Mayor.

SCHOOL BOARD LETS GYM WORK

Ashland school board members Tuesday night approved bids for construction of a 58 by 30-foot stage addition to the junior high school gymnasium, and installation of a new heating and plumbing system in the structure.

Low bidder for construction work was F. L. Smith of Ashland, whose figure was set at \$4682; Provost's hardware was awarded the heating and plumbing contract on their low bid of \$1965. Other bidders on the latter job were Simpson's hardware, \$2379, and for building and plumbing combined, Walter J. Sutte of Portland bid \$7477. E. O. Smith, Ashland, was an unsuccessful bidder on stage construction with a figure of \$5313.

Work will be started within a few days on both contracts, it was indicated at the board meeting.

Ashland Lands Series Playoffs for District Softball Supremacy

Ashland's lighted high school field will be the scene of southern Oregon district playoffs for the right to enter the state softball tournament Aug. 22 at Salem, according to announcement by Forrest (Skeet) O'Connell, secretary of the Ashland Softball association. The playoff will bring winning teams from Klamath Falls, Grants Pass, Medford and Ashland here Thursday and Friday, Aug. 18 and 19, for a two-day tourney.

First night of the series will see two games played, pairings to be announced later. Winners will meet the following evening for the district championship and the upstate trip, O'Connell explained. Winning team will be given a mileage and tournament expense allowance by the Salem series.

YOUTH PLAYS RECITAL

Roger Wolf of Medford, 12-year-old grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wolf of Ashland, appeared in a piano recital at a SONS assembly Wednesday. The lad, who has played piano for six years, selected several classical numbers.

Attorney William Briggs left Thursday evening for San Francisco on a brief business trip.

TALENT TO MEET LITHIANS IN 8:30 TEST OF LIGHTS

SOUTHERN OREGON and northern California baseball fans will witness their first night baseball game in this section at 8:30 p. m. tonight, Aug. 5, when the Talent town team will trot onto the Ashland high school lighted diamond to meet the Lithian nine in a seven-inning exhibition game.

As a warmup to the main event, Hilt will battle Provost's hardware starting at 7:30 p. m. on the softball diamond in an Ashland city loop encounter.

The Lithians will be set to give their challengers a taste of baseball as well as night life when they go into action tonight, with Jim Krinock slated to open hostilities on the Ashland mound. He will be caught by Al Simpson, while Leonard Patterson will square off at first base, Hess at second, Leever at shortstop and Arba Ager on third. Outfield positions will be filled with Dick Porterfield in left, Burden or Balding in center, and Baughman or Reeder in right field. Reserve pitching staff will include Johnny Schonkeker and newcomer Leonard Warren, former high school star. Jack Bears, softball big stick, has indicated a willingness to turn out with the Lithians, and may be on hand to take part in the game.

Talent will come here loaded for bear, with McAbee and Pepper getting the nod to alternate on the mound. Dick Skeeters will receive, Ashland's Tiny Jones will cover first, Eddie Joanas second, Harvey Maxson shortpatch and Hungate the hot corner. Starting outfielders probably will be Don Montgomery, center, Ed Leaming, right, and Thornton or Simmons left, according to Manager Charlie Skeeters.

One admission price will cover both games and a large crowd of interested fans is expected from nearby cities as well as from Ashland.

Frank Wells Hurt In Power Shovel Upset

Frank Wells, of Ashland, is recovering in the Community hospital from serious injuries suffered when a power shovel he was moving plunged over an embankment, pinning him in its cab, early Tuesday about 18 miles from Hilt, Calif.

Wells, foreman for the Fruit Growers Supply company of Hilt, has been given good chances for recovery by attending physicians, although he will be convalescent for some time. Wells received a broken pelvis and other injuries.

MUSIC CLUB TO MEET

A meeting of the junior music clubs will be held at 1:30 p. m. Saturday at 107 Fork street. Election of officers will be held.

M. W. Maxwell and Companion
Are Invited to Be Guests of the Southern Oregon Miner
To See Their Choice of the Following
Varsity Theater Programs:

(Friday and Saturday)
"ROOTIN' TOOTIN' RHYTHM" plus
"WE'RE GOING TO BE RICH"
(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)
DOROTHY LAMOUR
RAY MILLAND in
"HER JUNGLE LOVE"
Please Call at The Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

Polonius To You!



WILLIAM COTTRELL, assistant Shakespearean festival director, is a student at Cornish school of dramatics in Seattle. He is shown above as Polonius in "Hamlet," featured play in this year's series which will open the eight-day festival in the Elizabethan theater tonight.

Softball Schedule Is Outlined for Balance Of League Tilts Here

Following a week's delay because of extensive enlistment of civilian fire fighters from among Ashland softball team rosters, and further delay Tuesday night when a transformer failure blacked out the playing field, the nine teams in the Ashland softball association got under way again Wednesday, Aug. 3, with Hilt downing Fortmiller's in a fast and exciting 12-5 game, featured by the comeback of Pitcher Bill Tallis for the winners after a hard smash took him down for the count. The Elks yielded to the Groceteria 13-2 in the evening's second game.

Thursday night the Groceteria nine and SONS fought to a 7-5 Normal victory, while the Active club blasted Provost's for a 19-6 decision.

Tonight, Aug. 5, Hilt will play Provost at 7:30 p. m. in a preliminary to the baseball game between Ashland's Lithians and Talent town team.

Next week's schedule will be as follows:

- Monday, Active club vs. Battery B; SONS vs. Hilt.
- Tuesday, Provost's vs. Elks; Battery B vs. Miners.
- Wednesday, Hilt vs. Active club; Elks vs. SONS.
- Thursday, Fortmiller's vs. Groceteria; Miners vs. Provost's.
- Friday, Groceteria vs. Battery B; Active club vs. Elks.
- Monday, Aug. 15, SONS vs. Fortmiller's; Hilt vs. Groceteria.
- Tuesday, Aug. 16, Hilt vs. Miners; Fortmiller's vs. Battery B.
- Wednesday, Aug. 17, Groceteria vs. Provost's.

Following the inter-city district tournament next two nights, games will be scheduled between Battery B and Elks, and the Miners and Activians to conclude the second half of this summer's split season. The Miners, first-half victors, will then meet the second-half topnotchers in a three-game series.

TENNIS COURTS READY

Ashland school board's new tennis courts on Siskiyou boulevard have been completed, save for minor finishing touches which await arrival of special fittings, according to Supt. G. A. Briscoe.

TO HOLD SWIM RACES

To bolster interest in Wednesday and Friday swim classes at Helman Baths, prizes will be offered for winners of races to be held every Thursday afternoon through August.

FOUR PLAYS TO BE PRODUCED IN EIGHT-DAY FEST

ASHLAND'S fourth annual Shakespearean festival will get under way in Lithia park with the 8:30 o'clock curtain tonight, Aug. 5. The unique plays—only productions of their kind in America in the world's only civic, Elizabethan theater—will run for eight days, during which time four of Shakespeare's most famous works will be produced.

A complete sell-out was expected for the spacious outdoor amphitheater as last-minute reports indicated the festival's greatest season. Among the large audience will be many of the state's most prominent citizens, invitations having been wired to honorary members of the association headed by Governor Charles H. Martin.

"Hamlet" will lead off this year's production of four of the bard's most popular plays, and will be followed by "Merchant of Venice" Saturday, Aug. 6. Monday, "Taming of the Shrew" will be produced, with "Hamlet" recurring Tuesday, Wednesday, Aug. 10. "Twelfth Night" is scheduled for its only showing, and Thursday will bring the second presentation of "Merchant of Venice." Friday, "Taming of the Shrew" will be repeated, and the festival will close Saturday, Aug. 13, with "Hamlet."

Angus L. Bowmer, professor of dramatics at Southern Oregon Normal school and originator and director of the Shakespearean series, will be assisted in his work by Mrs. Bowmer and a complete technical staff and cast gathered from many points in the nation.

Ashland chairman of an extended and highly successful festival membership drive is Mrs. H. M. Schilling, while Mrs. Chandler Egan heads the Medford committee. The festivals have developed into statewide proportions, and command attention from dramatists and Shakespearean lovers over the entire Pacific coast. This year's series is expected to draw a large number of up-state enthusiasts, as well as a heavy following from southern Oregon.

Honorary members receiving special invitations for tonight's opening and for whom a special backstage reception will be held following the performance, include Charles H. Martin, governor; Earl Snell, secretary of state; J. A. Churchill, director of elementary teacher training for Oregon; Dr. Frederick M. Hunter, chancellor of the state system of higher education; Willard L. Marks, president of the state board of higher education.

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SADIE MILLER keeping the home fires burning.

LETTIE LACEY looking for a reporter with her fingers crossed.

HOWARD ROSE fishing at Rocky Point with a cork on his hook where a worm ought to be. GEORGE SHAFER and PAUL MALLATT cutting themselves a piece of mountainberry pie.

EARL (TUBBY) SCHILLING being handicapped by muscles which impaired his visibility while trying to locate a base-runner diving into home.

AUBREY MILES, pants rolled up, taking son BILLY in wading. He says.

DOM PROVOST providing the closet for a lot of old skeletons. IRVING BRANTLEY wanting to borrow Father Neptune's fork at meal time.

I. C. ERWIN and JEAN EBERTHART getting up at 3 a. m. to start fibbing about the fish they hope to catch.