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The Editor Speaking

The popular notion of how to make ends meet seems to be arranged a pension at one end and tax exemption at the other.

The supreme court has continued sit-down strikes, and it's not time. People had fingers bent, forks were invented, and they had a car, something to sit on besides somebody's factory, too.

Previous are the ways of a crafty and high. Clark Wood of the Western writes of a familiarity with a painful problem of picking a new shirt, but he doesn't fool us—the last new one he poked his head through had celluloid collar and purple candy stripes.

The suspicion sometimes arises in the minds of many whether the progress deep interest in "isms"—namely, fascism and communism—is nothing more than a dodge from the "ations"—namely, taxation.

Of all people's wearing apparel, the most expressive is the one that you feel like throwing 'em in the air, or you want to stomp underfoot.

This guy Wood at Weston has long last reached his reward for being an inveterate columnist the other day, in his near-sight-way, he tried to throw a Ford because it had horns.

As it has worked out, our neutrality law has kept America isolated from foreign troubles just as the Volstead act made people stop drinking.

Art (Hic) Powell, editor of the Central Point American, has gone for reform with a vengeance, becoming mayor of his town. Last week he announced a bicycle ordinance requiring license plates, wheels and examinations for riders, who must receive a grade 90 per cent or better. Fortunately for Art, no such tests are required for entering politics.

March came in like a lamb in Ashland this week, and had spring over.

Jack Benny, in the bad graces of the revenue department and many of his fans on smuggling charges, apparently seen his duty but never paid it.

RAY SPENCER IS ARSON SUSPECT

Ray F. Spencer, 58, well known Ashland man and former superintendent of the city dump ground, Wednesday was arrested by California police near Oroville on a warrant charging arson and intent to defraud an insurance company. The charges grew out of the Jan. 14 burning of his house, located on city property at the dump ground, resulting in his collecting \$1550 insurance. Although the fire had the appearance of being accidental at the time, local police became suspicious when it was learned that the house and furnishings had been insured for an "unusual" amount. Chief of Police C. P. Talent opened an investigation of the case a few days ago when Spencer left for California points after disposing of his garbage collection route to his wife's son-in-law, Joseph A. Barbeau, 32, who also was charged with complicity in the alleged crime.

Spencer is being held under \$2500 bond, while Barbeau was arrested yesterday by local police and was being held in the county jail in Medford under \$500 bail. It was not known last night whether Spencer would waive extradition, but he will be returned here on the warrant, which was filed a week ago. Two secret indictments against the pair were brought early this week by the grand jury. Apparently Spencer and Barbeau drenched the household with gasoline on the night of Jan. 14, threw a lighted match into the dwelling and speeded to Medford, where they attended a dance. The house was an almost total loss by the time local firemen arrived on the scene.

Spencer was accompanied by a Central Point woman at the time of his arrest, but she was not being held.

The Seaview motorist who has had both experiences is understood to have said that'd rather be charged by a buck deer than by a garage.—Weston Leader.

ST. MARY'S EYED AS TOURNEY WINNER; CHILOQUIN DOWNED

Final Ashland-Medford Hi Clash Set for Here Tonight

8 P.M. TIPOFF IN JUNIOR HI GYM HOLDS INTEREST

THE final meeting of southern Oregon's most bitter athletic rivals—Ashland high school Grizzlies and Medford high Tigers—will get under way at 8 o'clock sharp in the Junior high gym here tonight. The fourth district game between the two outfits will mark the hoop windup for the season for Ashland.

Following Coach Russ Acheson's suspension of two crack Medford players—Walter Kresse and Ray Crosby—for breaking of training rules, Ashland's chances to cop one of the four games gained hope in local circles, although there is some chance that Medford's ingrown fear of the local lads' frequent upsets will cause the reinstatement of the errant pair ere tonight's opening whistle.

Against the Medfordites Coach Skeet O'Connell will start Forwards Ardis Warren and Bob Weaver, with Joe Jessel at center, and Kenny Harris and Bud Silver as guards. Tall Bob Smith also probably will see action tonight.

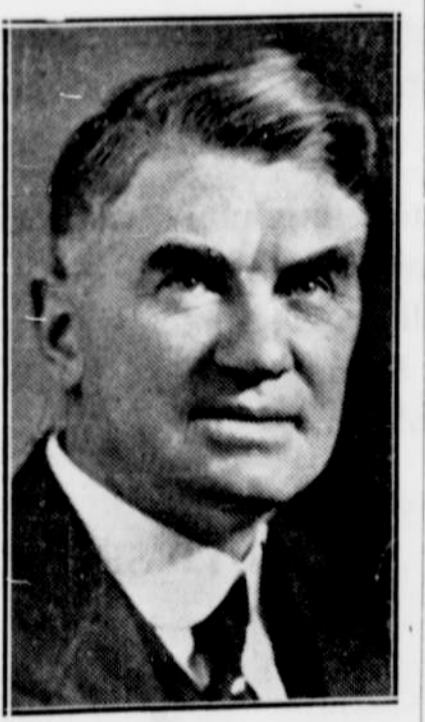
The AHS Grizzlies, following an all-day ride to Lakeview last Saturday, dropped a haywire nip-and-tuck battle to the Honkers of that city, 19-17. The game was marked by unusually effective floorwork on the part of the Ashland lads and the season's worst shooting eye. The Grizzlies were able to outmaneuver and outhandle the hustling Lakeviewers, but couldn't have hit the basket with a garden hose.

Although tonight's game will run competition to the SONS tournament, a large crowd is expected to repair to the Junior high gym for the single game, which will be completed in time for fans to view final contests at the normal school.

REPEAT PLAY IN MEDFORD

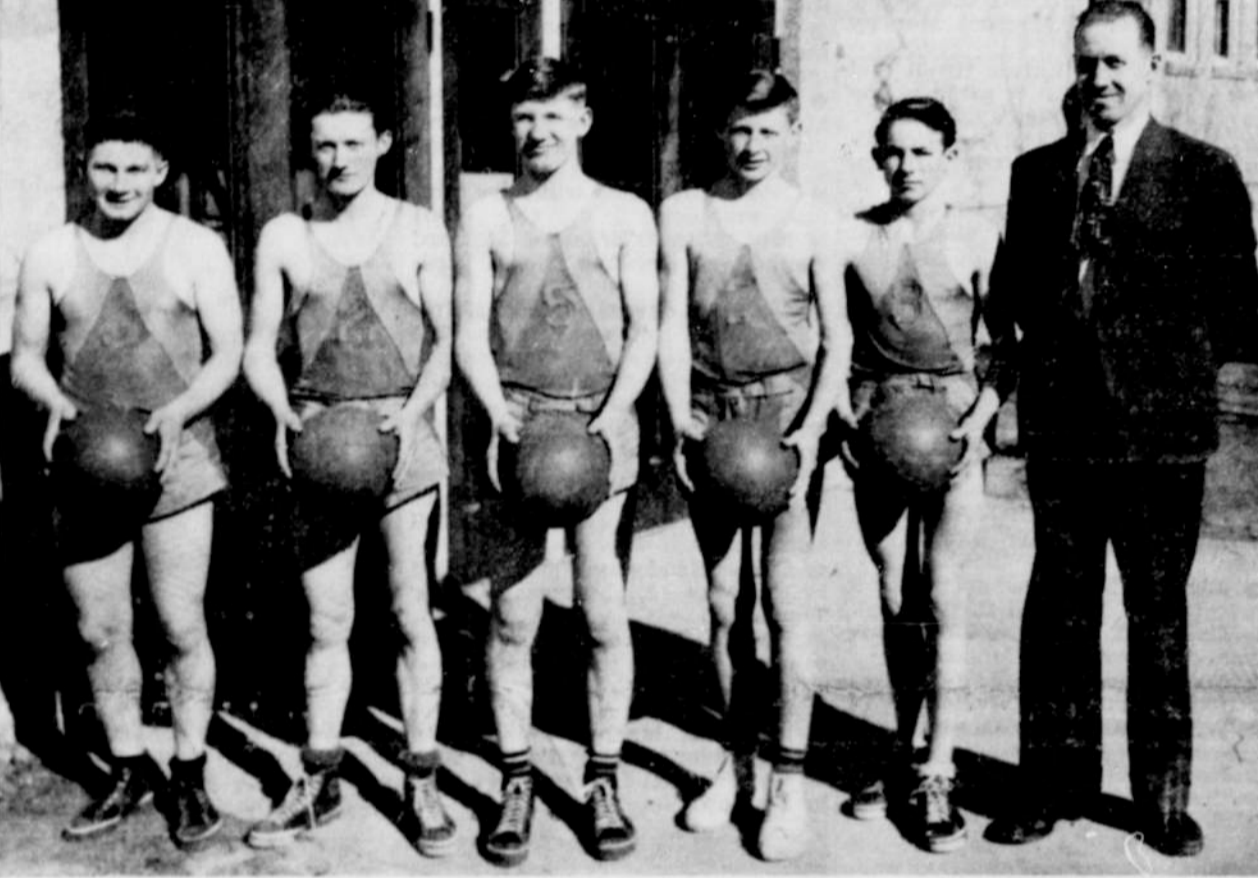
As the result of repeated demands that the Shakespearean Festival association's play, "You Can't Take It With You," be presented in Medford, Director Angus Bowmer's troupe of southern Oregon players presented the comedy in the Holly theater Thursday evening before a large audience. An outstanding success was accorded the presentation here a week ago.

CHALK ARTIST!



EVANGELIST J. R. TURNBULL will begin evangelistic meetings in the First Baptist church at 7:30, Wednesday evening, March 8. Mr. Turnbull is a fine preacher, Bible teacher and singer. He also is a chalk-artist of no mean ability and each evening draws cartoons to illustrate Bible themes.

Oregon's Outstanding Junior Quintet!



Shown above with Coach Earl Rogers (on the right) are the first string five of Ashland Junior high school's basketball team which this year set a new all-time record for games won at the local institution. They are, from left to right, Gale Rush and Alvenc Monroe, guards; Chet Fowler, center, and Buddy Provost and Charles Jandreau, forwards. The Juniors took the southern Oregon championship here Monday night by defeating Medford Juniors 23 to 18. They won 14 games and suffered but two losses, both at the hands of Medford. Outstanding upstate junior high quintets including Corvallis, Albany and Roseburg also bowed to the Ashland mites with the result that the local record is tantamount to the state crown. (Photo by Bushnell Studio.)

STAG JAMBOREE SET WEDNESDAY EVE IN VFW HALL

THE first annual stag jamboree to be staged by the Ashland Lions club will get under way early in the evening Wednesday, March 8, in the VFW hall over Madden's Tire shop, according to Dr. R. E. Poston, president of the local service club.

Extensive paraphernalia especially adapted to the entertainment of men has been loaned for the event by the Medford Elks club, while program chairmen, under the leadership of Bill Snider, Walter Leverette, Art Cooper, Earl Nutter, George Goswick, Chan Beebe, Paul Finnell and I. C. Erwin, have completed extensive preparations for entertainment of several hundred guests.

The party, complete with free refreshments and all the trimmings, will be open to Lions of Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, Yreka and other points, while invited guests of all Lions will be welcomed. Following completion of the basketball tournament at SONS this week-end, an intensive ticket sale will be resumed early next week.

A large turnout of local men and visitors is expected.

District News Gets One of Two National CCC Paper Honors

The Medford District News, Civilian Conservation Corps publication for the district's 32 camps with headquarters in Medford, recently received another honor from Happy Days, national CCC journal, when it was awarded a four-star rating among printed newspapers of the country. But one other CCC publication received the rating in the entire United States. The District News, edited by George H. Fields, district educational adviser, has frequently received the top rating of four stars among printed newspapers. Since

Iron Horse Finally Pays Bandit Old Debt

SOMETIMES it takes years, but poetic justice nearly always catches up with a man. And in Ashland Sunday, justice did deliver an unusual and well-aimed slap at one of yesterday's bad men. The film, "Jesse James," was to open in a local theater at matinee and, come almost noon hour, the celluloid print was not in evidence. Inquiries revealed that the southbound passenger from Portland was behind schedule.

At long last a train had held up Jesse James.

Harry Chipman Will Open 'Smoke Shop' in Fortmiller Room

Harry Chipman will open a new business, to be known as Harry Chipman's Smoke Shop, in the building next to Fortmiller's, formerly occupied by the Central Shine Parlor, on or about Monday, March 6. Chipman will deal in a complete line of tobaccos, candy, gum, peanuts, magazines and other sundries.

Chipman has been stricken with infantile paralysis since November, 1937, and will operate his new business from a wheelchair.

Burt H. Smith 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) "FERDINAND THE BULL," "THE GREAT MAN VOTES" and "ARIZONA LEGION" (Sunday and Monday) JOAN CRAWFORD in "THE SHINING HOUR" Please Call at The Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

SYMPHONY WILL HOLD CONCERT

The Ashland Little Symphony orchestra, under the direction of Ward V. Croft, conductor, will present the second of its winter series of concerts at 8:15 p. m. Thursday, March 9, in the Junior high gymnasium, it was announced this week.

The orchestra of 35 members will present numbers from the pens of Flotow, Saint-Saens, Lugini, Hadley and Smetana. Guest artist for the concert will be Jeanne Joy, coloratura soprano, who will present two groups of numbers accompanied by Miss Marjorie Seibert at the piano and Bertha Denton, flutist.

In keeping with this year's custom, no admission will be charged for the concert, the entire series of concerts being open to the public.

SONS Orchestra To Appear in Concerts

The Southern Oregon Normal school's orchestra, conducted by Lucie Landen, is fast establishing itself as one of the really fine orchestras of southern Oregon, according to audiences.

The orchestra's appearance under the auspices of the Ashland Music club has met with acclaim by an audience of representative musicians, and a number of public appearances are scheduled for the near future as follows: Ashland high school, March 8; KMED 5 to 5:30 p. m. March 22; Jacksonville high school, March 23; Phoenix high school, March 23; Klamath Falls high school, April 6, and Altamont Junior high in the evening of April 6, sponsored by the Altamont P-TA.

RUNAWAY RETURNED

Jack Ritchey, 15, Seattle runaway, reported his plight to Ashland police here over the week-end a telegram to his mother in the Washington metropolis resulting in receipt of funds for a bus ticket which was used to return the boy to his home Sunday.

WINNER KERBY-ELKTON TILT IS CUP FAVORITE

PLAYING before packed houses in the large Southern Oregon Normal school gym, 37 hustling, sweating class B high school basketball teams have been giving their best for their respective colors since Wednesday evening, when the 12th annual SONS invitational tournament got under way here.

Most outstanding developments of Thursday's play was the surprise defeat of favored Chiloquin by Coos River in a nip-and-tuck 19-21 game. Observers rated Coos River as playing over their heads, while the defeat shunted Chiloquin into quarter-finals for fifth place. Coos River will meet Keno, victors over Camas Valley yesterday afternoon, for quarter-final position in the championship flight, while the losing Camas Valleyites will face Chiloquin at 5 p. m. today.

Of all teams showing in the tournament play to-date, St. Mary's is picked by most fans as the probable winner in the championship bracket, which will send a team to the state title tournament in Salem this month. St. Mary's Thursday evening dumped Prineville while Butte Falls was looking good in its defeat of Merrill to send Butte Falls into quarter-finals today against St. Mary's.

In the president's cup division, the winner of the Elkton-Kerby game at 7 p. m. today is hoped to become winner of that division, while other president's cup games for today will be as follows: Prospect vs. Talent, 9 a. m.; Jacksonville vs. Gardiner, 9 a. m.; Brookings vs. Kerby, 10 a. m., and Phoenix vs. Elkton at 10 a. m. Following these games, the double floors at the SONS gym will be cleared and all remaining contests will be played on the larger single court.

In the championship bracket today, St. Mary's will meet Butte Falls at 8 p. m., and Coos River will tangle with Keno at 9 p. m.

Consolation round in the championship bracket is being battled through by Reedsport vs. Powers at 11 a. m. today, Drain vs. Sisters at 11 a. m., Rogue River vs. Glendale at 12 noon, and Central Point vs. Port Orford at noon.

Winners in the championship bracket at the close of last night's games were as follows: St. Mary's 24, Reedsport 14; Prineville 15, Powers 11; Butte Falls 28, Drain 26 (overtime game); Merrill 23, Sisters 13; Chiloquin 36, Rogue River 20; Coos River 24, Glendale 16; Camas Valley 26, Central Point 6; Keno 19, Port Orford 11. Second run winners were St. Mary's over Prineville, Butte Falls over Merrill, Coos River 21, Chiloquin 19; Keno 21, Camas Valley 19.

This year's tournament, the biggest ever attempted by the local

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CHAN BEEBE, African hunter, bringing back a Greyhound alive. C. B. LAMKIN telling about a man who talked to himself because he liked to talk to an interesting person and listen to one. C. P. TALENT concluding, after issuing numerous dog licenses at a dollar each, that there are no female dogs in town. ROSS TILLEY being a typical husband and carrying his wife RUBY'S unmailed letters around for days, forcing her to resort to other means. HARRY RICHEY paying a dollar for a glance.