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**IT BRINGS MANY BENEFITS!**

That softball has become a most popular sport for players and spectators alike, recent crowds at the Ashland high school field can attest. But aside from the fun of it, softball is doing a great service for the community.

Rosters of the six league entrants embrace some 90 youngsters and men not too old to try who almost daily get out in the good, clean, cool evening air to exercise and relax. The physical benefits of such variety are hard to measure, but they most certainly are of importance to the health of many who otherwise would get almost no outdoor exercise. The mental stimulation that the game affords also is good.

But more than that, softball centers the attention and interest of the younger, formative generation on wholesome, constructive effort and pastime. Half a hundred growing boys are off the streets and into supervised sport, while other dozens come to watch. The moral benefits perhaps are as important as the physical advantages of the games.

The beneficent school board and the sponsoring business men who work together to make softball practical and interesting are to be thanked by the parents of Ashland. It is a good work and, what is more appealing, swell fun.

**MORE GOOD NEWS!**

Reassuring as warm, late spring weather is, the good fortune of young men of the community is even more so. Recently Bob Hardy received his big opportunity when he signed with the Detroit Tigers baseball club, and this week it comes as good news that Al Simpson, another popular young man hereabouts, has been appointed to the junior high school coaching position left vacant by Earl Rogers' advancement as principal of the school.

The selection of Ashland's most efficient and very popular Rogers to the principalship was greeted warmly here, and The Miner believes that Simpson will be as happy a choice for coach. Like Hardy, Al has proved his character and has worked hard for his objective.

That such deserving young men are being recognized at home and away brings satisfaction to those who know them.

**HERE COME THE BRITISH, BLESS 'EM!**

The pomp and parade incidental to English royalty seldom appeals to the average American removed from the actual scene and because of this, some quarters have suggested that the British rulers' visit to this country will never be repeated because the history-making tour will have injured international relations instead of strengthening them.

Those who believe the monarchs should not have come overlook the American appreciation of good sportsmanship. For King George and Queen Elizabeth have proved that they can take it. Strenuous days of formal presentations and a rigorous, enervating schedule of public appearances have been borne graciously and happily by the rulers.

And Americans, lovers of ability, can do nothing but admire the royal pair for the outstanding manner in which they have handled their friend-making job. We respect the monarchs, in true democratic fashion, more for what they are as two fine people rather than for their high station.

Long live King George and Queen Elizabeth—and all good people who do their work so well!

- Mrs. J. H. Sander and Frances Sander returned recently from a two weeks visit in Portland with relatives.
- Jackie Porter arrived Monday from Spokane, Wash., for a month visit here at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. I. J. Porter.
- Mr. and Mrs. Everett McGee visited last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McGee who are spending the summer at Lake o' the Woods.
- Henry Enders and son Jack returned Monday from New York where Jack has been attending school.
- Frances Howard of the Summit ranch returned recently from a three months trip throughout the United States, including visits at both world fairs.
- Mr. and Mrs. Harold Murphy of Los Angeles are visiting here at the home of Mrs. Bertha Heer.
- Mrs. Cliff McLean spent last week-end in Portland.

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A PROFESSION that can bring out as many stories in book form as has the practice of medicine proves itself an engrossing calling. "Horse and Buggy Doctor," "Doctor Here's Your Hat," "An American Doctor's Odyssey," "Oh Doctor, My Feet," "Consultation Room," "You're the Doctor," with "American Medicine Mobilizes" and "Medicine at the Crossroads" on the serious side are some of the books that have come out during the recent months which were written by and about doctors. No other phase of American life is represented to the same extent in the literary field. Incidentally, we haven't read a one of them but we can recommend "The Story of St. Michele" by Dr. Alexander Munthe as an informative and entertaining book.

Radio program sponsored by the Gulf Oil company is put on by film folk who give talent free but the oil company is no piker. They pay to the motion picture relief fund \$10,000 weekly and this month they will turn over to MPRF \$220,000 which is proceeds of first 22 weeks period just ended and if all options are taken up, the relief fund will get two million dollars from this source. When \$500,000 is taken in they are going to build a big dormitory and sanitarium for indigent movie people. And in New York City by paying 10 cents you can board an ocean liner on sailing day, visit the public rooms, watch the departure festivities and get a general look at some of the things that most of us can only read about. The steamship companies turn these admissions over to the Seaman's institute for the benefit of disabled seafaring people and the take amounts to \$100,000 annually which means that a million persons visit the liners every year. Two mighty fine ideas for raising a lot of cash without hurting, we say.

The Bond club, organization of top flight Wall street employees has just held its annual picnic where they take time off to get a laugh at some of their troubles. "The Bawl Street Journal," a take-off on the dry conservative factual Wall Street Journal, published for this occasion, has just come our way.

Here is what some of the tickertape boys laughed at as published by their own subsidized journal: Fact Omission Brings Lawsuit: Miss Ina Quagmire, 82-year-old heiress who purchased a million dollars worth of government bonds, has just sued the brokerage house which made the deal for misrepresentation. She maintains that she should have been informed that interest on the government's obligations was not being earned.

Or in a letter to the paper: Question. I have \$10,000 to invest. What would you recommend? Answer. We would recommend that you keep it a dark secret. Lost: Brief case containing \$5000 par value Chilean bonds. Finder can keep the bonds if he will return the brief case. However, the mimic advertisements gave the best laughs with their exaggerated picture of lack of business: Clarke Dodge & Co.: Wanted, office boy. Salary \$16 a week or a partnership in the firm. Speyer & Co. advertised a limerick contest with 12 bottles of beer first prize, \$2.50 second prize and a partnership for third prize. Gracie Allen & Co.: If one of our issues defaults we give you three shots at the salesman. Joseph Walker & Sons: We could do a big business in government guaranteed railroad stocks if someone would guarantee the government.

This group has one thing in

**Two Townsendites Get Honor Citations**

Honor roll listing is given two members of Ashland's Townsend club No. 1, in the June 9 issue of Townsend National weekly, official publication of the Townsend national recovery plan.

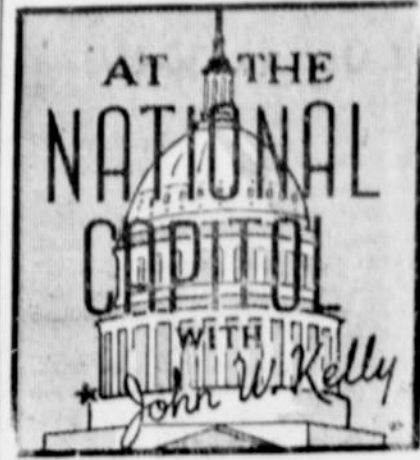
Their citations are in recognition of their activity in enrolling new adherents to the Townsend plan and are made on the recommendation of S. S. Davenport, club secretary.

E. B. Handsaker has enrolled 151 new members this year. He is distributor for the Townsend national weekly in Ashland and has increased sales 1000 per cent in six months.

Mrs. Estella Cobb also is honored for having enrolled 50 members during the last three months.

The Ashland club is preparing to send delegates to the fourth national Townsend convention to be held June 22 to 25

common with the rest of the human race. It's all right to poke fun at yourself but yell plenty if someone else tries it.



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American operators is from \$3 to \$4 per thousand board feet more than the cost to operators in British Columbia. The old-age benefits and unemployment compensation insurance now is 39 cents on every 1000 feet of lumber and will be 59 cents in 1949 unless the bill recently passed in the house is rejected by the senate.

Products not manufactured in accordance with regulations of NLRB cannot be moved from the state of their origin to another state, although competing goods manufactured in British Columbia can move anywhere in the United States without interference other than payment of a small customs duty. A veritable flood of lumber is entering this country from western Canada.

Under the order of the US maritime commission, intercoastal rate on American lumber is \$14 per thousand, whereas British Columbia can ship to the same Atlantic ports at \$11 per thousand feet.

For these reasons, the delegations of Oregon and Washington are working for a bill of Senator Bone (Washington) which requires that all material used on construction where government money is involved, must be of domestic origin.

Attention is called by scientists, particularly Lincoln Constance of University of California, to the Snake river canyon, the Wallowa range and the Seven Devils. In that little-known area embracing parts of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, there are plants and animals which, in ages, have developed new forms or preserved old primitive ones. There are a number of species known as "endemic," that is, peculiar to that area and found nowhere else in the world. Suggestion is made that an expedition be authorized for detailed exploration.

Army engineers have squared their shoulders for a large program with the coming fiscal year.

July 1. Outstanding is of the Willamette valley continuation of the flood along the Columbia river used dredging for a dam. The engineers will gate the proposal for navigation on Umpqua river Roseburg and Scottsburg. Surveys of Birch creek. Sibilities for power and control to protect Pilot. Survey of Birch creek. Inquiry to ascertain whether harbor is advisable at

There is no break between Roosevelt and Vice Garner. This rumor has been in circulation by a small White House insiders that Mr. Roosevelt will be inated for a third term. Jack happens for the campaign in that position this Mrs. Roosevelt has a newspaper woman in a friend for life. The first ranged for them to meet and queen. The girls were mad before that as they been invited to the law of the British embassy. Interest women to know the face became blotchy. left Washington. Her was too delicate to with intense sunshine and hot

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