

THE CONFIDENCE with which a sadly unprepared France declared war on Germany should give American sentimentalists pause in considering further "measures short of war."

Asked why he hoped President Roosevelt would run for a third term, Wendell Willkie declared "Because I want to beat the champ." And according to Joe Louis, a lot of other hopefuls have said the same thing.

The rocks that Hollywood marriages end up on seem to be about the only things in movieland that aren't stage props.

July 4, commemorating the birth of independence in America, was celebrated by families spending the day where the strongest-willed member insisted.

The successful man who started from scratch never spent much time scratching his head.

Partisan Politics: Cursing and criticizing the President for eight years because he belongs to the wrong party, and then shouting the praises of an unknown the minute he gains the nomination because he belongs to the opposition.

Yes, and how are the outs, clutching at every straw before it has a chance, going to know which way the wind is blowing?

In convention more silly than solemn, the GOPs have picked their horses for the fall race, and time alone will tell whether they got more than the hind quarters.

PAGEANT DRAWS 3000 VIEWERS

An estimated 1500 people showed the final episode of the Cavalcade of the Siskiyou with applause Thursday night when the curtain was drawn on the first performance of the pageant's three-day run. Applause was almost constant throughout the two-hour show. Again Friday night an even larger audience saw the second presentation, which was described as more smooth-flowing than the first, while Saturday night's finale is expected to play to the largest audience of all.

Nearly 400 actors went through their paces as they reenacted the history of pioneer days in southern Oregon and climaxed the show with a burst of patriotic 1940 streamlining, Indians, soldiers, folk and Indian dances, cow milking, horses, pioneers, covered wagons and brilliant costumes made up the gigantic cast of more than 300 persons.

The cavalcade features no leading roles and no actors have speaking parts, but two narrators, William Cottrell and Lillian Davis, described in eloquent phrasing the history being unfolded. An ingenious lighting system greatly helped to create proper atmosphere and striking effects during the entire performance.

A portion of the Ashland band provides atmospheric music.

Tonight's final presentation of the spectacle, under direction of Jack Bailey, will start at 8:30 p. m. on the high school field.

ELIZABETH A. FOREN
Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth A. Foren, 66, who died June 27, were held at 2 p. m. June 29 at the Litwiler Funeral home with the Rev. H. W. Burch of Medford officiating. Interment was in Hargadine cemetery.

MAJOR ARTHUR CARTER
Funeral services for Major Arthur Carter, 80, who died June 30 at his home on Second street, were held at 10 a. m. July 2 at the Litwiler Funeral home. Interment was in the Hargadine cemetery. The deceased is survived by his widow.

ETTA MAE OWNBEY
Funeral services for Mrs. Etta Mae Ownbey, 66, who died June 28, were held at 10 a. m. July 1 at the Litwiler Funeral home with the Rev. James H. Edgar officiating. Interment took place in Ashland cemetery.

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Director!



WILLIAM DAVID COTTRELL, above, after several years as assistant director of the annual Oregon Shakespearean festival, this year moves up into the directorship for the famous plays, four of which will be presented in Ashland's outdoor Elizabethan theater during August. Bill, as he is known to his many friends, is a native of this section and attended Southern Oregon College of Education.

BLANKETS TAKE INFANT'S LIFE

When Mr. and Mrs. David L. Owens, 179 Oak street, returned from a visit in town Tuesday night they found their year and two-months-old daughter strangled to death in her bed.

The parents, before leaving to visit Mrs. Owens' father, pinned the baby into bed, which was a few inches from the wall. When they returned the infant had managed, in its twisting and turning, to slip off the bed near the wall and strangled in a hanging position.

Officers Snyder and Smith, who were called by a neighbor, Mrs. Henry Hughes, called a physician who examined the infant and said that the baby had been dead about 45 minutes. Deputy Coroner Will Dodge confirmed the accidental death report.

Funeral services were at the Litwiler Funeral home Friday morning.

Model Plane Races Make Interesting Debut at Golf Links

At 9 a. m. Friday, on the Ashland golf links, an unusual and interesting event took place that was enjoyed by about 300 spectators. Center of attraction was Ashland's first model airplane meet, participants of which were members of the Medford Model Airplane club and several independent entries.

A model plane, "Oregon State," built by Art Weiland of Medford captured top honors with three perfect flights and a flight time of two minutes, 45 seconds.

Second place went to W. M. Kenyon, whose plane held a flight record of one minute, 15 seconds. Bob Mitchell was third with 46 seconds; Don Cook, fourth, 44 seconds; Jack Moffatt, fifth, 37 seconds; Allen Buckingham, sixth, 34 seconds; John Dallaire, seventh, 29 seconds, and Don Fawcett received eighth place award. Prize money totaling \$15 was divided among the eight entrants.

Each of the planes was powered by a tiny gasoline motor which was timed to run for not longer than 20 seconds to complete its climb—after which the planes glided to earth.

The meet was realistic and filled with thrills when the planes owned by Cook and Fawcett went into power dives and crashed, scattering the three- and four-foot models over the course. Only one ship suffered extensive damage.

The midget powered planes, which turn up like their big counterparts, were so popularly received that plans are being talked for a larger meet next year with planes from Klamath Falls and other southern Oregon cities to enter.

STOPS TO PAY FINE
Because he failed to stop when approaching the highway, Donald H. Rude of Ashland was fined \$1 and \$4.50 costs last week in justice court.

SHAKESPEAREAN REHEARSALS TO RESUME SUNDAY

REHEARSALS for the annual Shakespearean plays to be given here in August were being held to a minimum this week as Ashland prepared to welcome hundreds of sight-seers and celebrants throughout its three days of July 4 celebration program.

Director William David Cottrell announced that players would be released Thursday, Friday and Saturday and said that practice would be resumed Sunday, July 7. A number of the players have been recruited for temporary duties in conjunction with the staging of the Cavalcade of the Siskiyou, the historical pageant being presented nightly during the three days.

Queen Elizabeth and her Shakespearean court composed of Mary Shreve of Medford as Queen Bess, Carol McCollum of Ashland, Marilyn Sherlock of Grants Pass and Phyllis Collier of Klamath Falls are representing the festival in the program. They are being feted with teas, luncheons, swimming parties, dances and other special events. The queen and court, along with the queen of the cavalcade are holding the keys to the city for three days.

Costumes and scenery are being made at the present time. Lights and special lighting effects are in the process of installation. Art Director Lois M. Bowmer said that her crews are operating under full steam and that Elizabethan garb for the players will be ready for dress rehearsals the middle of this month.

The annual sponsoring membership drive will start in various communities in southern Oregon next week and will be completed by the first of August, committee heads indicated. Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass and Klamath Falls will be included in the drive.

MINER IS DAY LATE
Because the editor was in charge of arrangements for the wrestling card which formed a feature attraction of the July 4 celebration, this issue of The Miner was not printed until Saturday, one day later than schedule. With seven famous grapplers on his hands—and strong ones, too—the editor had his hands full throwing them and had to let the bull wait. However, back to regular schedule again next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hulien and daughter Joan were visiting in Ashland July 4.

Folies, Flowers at the Fair



Pretty Eleanor (left) and lovely Virginia of the New Folies Bergere enjoy a frolic in the flowered gardens on Treasure Island. Knee deep in blooms, the beauties make a striking picture at the Golden Gate International Exposition.

LIONS CLUB WINS SWEEPSTAKES IN HOLIDAY PARADE

WHEN Fred Homes rounded the plaza corner on his handsome brown horse, leading the 1940 July 4 parade, the gala three-day celebration in Ashland was officially opened and, according to the generous applause rendered by the many thousands who thronged the streets through the line of march, the parade was the largest and most spectacular seen here for many a year.

With more entries this year than ever before, Parade Chairman Herb Moore presented 53 floats, three bands, 140 horses (not counting one mule and a colt) and the Ashland and Medford National Guard units to make up the mile and one-half long line of parade.

Parade entries, in order of appearance, were Marshal of the Day Homes, Ashland city band, Battery B, Ashland National Guard; Co. A, Medford National Guard; veterans organizations, Yreka drum and bugle corps, commercial division including Fortmiller's, Caton's Junction Garage, Coggins Lumber company, Palace cafe, City market, Ashland Roller rink, Selby Chevrolet company, Ashland Lumber company, Crosby and Homes Texaco entry, Leever Motor company, Consolidated Freightways, Fixit shop, Snider Coffee company, A. L. Wren, Whittle Transfer, Western Auto Supply company, the Daily Tidings and Elhart's; juvenile division; organization division including Elks, Lithians, Ashland Music Study club, American Legion auxiliary, Ashland Chamber of Commerce, Ashland Lions club, Eagles male drill team, Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, Business and Professional Women of Medford, VFW auxiliary, Ashland Boy Scouts, Eagles women's drill team, Ashland Garden club, and the VFW; unattached entries included state forest patrol, Cavalcade group and Henry Johnson; comical entries in which Ashland Business Women's association, Bill and Gene Wood, Kent Robbins and Harry Pendleton participated; bands including the American Legion Kiltie band, the Ashland city band and the Yreka American Legion drum corps. The entries were followed by the magnificent display of horses and horsemanship, the major part of which was furnished by the Trail Riders horse club; mature horses, children's horses, young horses, parade horses and a six-horse team drawing a hay rack on which rode Paul Bulkin's Chateau band.

Lions Top Winners

The grand prize of \$30 was won by the Ashland Lions club, which entered a beautiful float portraying the statue of liberty. Miss Carol McCollum posed as the statue.

In the commercial division the first prize of \$20 went to the beautifully decorated Fortmiller department store.

The most comical division first prize of \$5 was awarded to Winston Hotel and his three assisting

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Ashland's Second Rodeo Is Sellout As Waddies Soar Off

EVERY available seat, including roosts on two-by-four posts, perches on cars and any other substantial object within telescopic distance was taken Thursday at the high school athletic field when Ashland's second gigantic rodeo was held as the feature attraction of the three-day July 4 celebration.

Viggo Lassen, general chairman of the rodeo, had assembled at the field the largest and wildest bunch of broncos, steers, cattle and calves, along with a good showing of riders for the event. Lassen had promised that his bunch of twisting, sunfishing horses and their would-be riders would put on a good show but they outdid themselves in furnishing thrills to the packed bleachers and grandstand. One meanie called Brown Jug, the largest piece of horseflesh on the field, broadcast several of his riders while still in the chutes and

ran straight through a heavy corral fence.

The Trail Riders club, newly organized group of horsemen and horsewomen of Ashland, staged a series of intricate drills and formations after the grand march as the opening feature of the four-hour show.

The Yreka Drum and Bugle corps played several selections and staged a short drill as their contribution.

Winners Listed

In the opening event, the wild steer riding contest, Gerald Hansen received first prize, Bud Moseley second and F. Nickell third.

In the bucking contest first prize went to John Arnold and Jack Lister, Fred Davis, W. J. Bray, Buck McIntire, Bud Moseley, Harold Sims and Dave Hart placed.

Carl Murphy was awarded first prize money in the cow cutting contest, second prize went to B. M. Thumler, third to Luther Holbrook and fourth to Ed Kubli.

Norman Kubli received first in the stake race and B. M. Thumler was second.

In the calf roping contest, won by J. E. Jones, all entries suffered from hard luck because of the short field and the ambitious dodging of the calves. Dean Owens placed second, Ed Kubli third and B. M. Thumler fourth.

In the steer roping contest, always one of the most popular events, Ed Kubli carried away top honors, followed by Frank Woolridge and Dean Owens.

Jack Lister, local cowpoke, won first prize in the bareback riding and W. J. Bray, Buck McIntire and Dave Hart placed.

No rodeo would have been complete without clowning and Bud Joyce, Pendleton, kept the huge crowd in good humor with his playful antics on and around the animals.

Poor Health Drives Talent Man to Suicide

Apparently because of poor health and despondency, Andrew Jackson Eggers, 65, ended his life early Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sample, Talent, when he fired a bullet from a .22 caliber rifle through his head.

The Sample family was awakened by the shot about 1 a. m. and found the body lying about 50 feet from the house clad only in a shirt.

Eggers, who has suffered from chronic trouble since he was 27 years old, is survived by his widow, five sons and one daughter who live in Ogallala, Neb. He had been rooming at the Sample home while employed at picking and thinning fruit.

According to Deputy Coroner Will Dodge no inquest was held. Interment was in Hargadine cemetery Friday.

CLARENCE FARNHAM

Funeral services for Clarence Farnham, 74, who died June 28 in Talent, were held at 10 a. m. July 1 at the J. P. Dodge and Sons chapel with the Rev. Turnbull of the Baptist church officiating. Interment was made in the Hargadine cemetery.

Stirring romance in Old California and high adventure in frontier America are combined in

CARMEN OF THE RANCHO

A Magnificent Story of Western Pioneer Days, Unsettled Lands, and Ever-Present Danger

by Frank H. Spearman

HERE is the story of the middle 19th century in Old California. In those days unsubdued bands of Indians made periodic raids on the ranchos of the Spanish Dons.

In one of these raids—on the Rancho Los Alamos of Don Alfredo—family and retainers were massacred and two small girls were kidnaped by the savages. It was Henry Bowie, a Texas scout, who rescued them and found them sanctuary in the mission of Padre Vicente, then forgot them even as he rode away.

But he was to remember them eight years later when, his suit spurned by the stormy Carmen, he tried to forget by roving California with Kit Carson and Captain Sutter. How Padre Vicente came to Bowie's rescue and how the gallant Texan again met the lovely Carmen are experiences you will want to follow. Do it—

SERIALLY IN THESE COLUMNS

SEEN IN A DAZE



By Our KEYHOLE REPORTER

A California couple, apparently in no hurry, applying to DONALD TRYER at the WPA office for a marriage license.

CLARA VERHASSELT acknowledging it might almost be worth a stay in jail to meet the Ashland police.

RODEO TIMERS using an eight-day clock for the calf-roping contest.

HERB SPECHT casting a vote for himself for queen of the cavalcade.

CLINT BAUGHMAN getting a ticket for parking too near a fire plug at a fire chief's convention.

JOHN BROADY sporting a red shirt to make him look like a drugstore cowboy.

VELMA BROWER and HOMER BILLINGS, attending the soap box derby, locking up the office and hanging out a sign, "gone to the races."

ELEANOR TANNER, back from a visit to her home town, declaring she saved a lot of time on the trip by discovering she was a year younger than she thought.