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BATTERY B'S DEPARTURE FOR A YEAR'S TRAINING WILL BE MEMORABLE!

This week-end 104 members of Ashland's Battery B, now a part of the regular army, will leave for Camp Clatsop, where they will start their year's training under Presidential decree.

The soldiers, who found their way into the army via the national guard route, represent the peak of young manhood, most members of the battery being of early college age. They are the high school basketball and football stars, the college athletes, ball players, up-and-coming employes of the community. Their absence during the coming year will be felt by the entire community as well as by their immediate relatives and friends.

Events which make the parting necessary are of such grave importance, however, that mothers and fathers, brothers, sisters, wives and friends of the men join in a feeling of pride that such a fine representation goes forth from Ashland to prepare for the defense of the country.

People of this community can derive justified satisfaction in the knowledge that Battery B will be a great credit to themselves, to their home and friends and to the United States army. There isn't a better bunch of fellows anywhere in the state than ours and this occasion leaves those at home with a sponsoring responsibility that will be met with willingness and enthusiasm.

Ashland's Battery B personnel has always been a vital part of the community and it always will be whether the boys are at home or miles away. With them go the best wishes, the affection and the indulgence of all their friends and neighbors.

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PANHANDLERS SHOULD GET THE BUM'S RUSH INSTEAD OF A COIN!

Autumn brings with it falling leaves, south-flying migratory birds, rain and a deluge of panhandling bums. The latter, during recent weeks, have been the more conspicuous.

To be pitied, indeed, is the Main street merchant whose door is open to the public, for it is he who, many times every day, has to drop his work and stiff-arm some hobo away from his small change. The floating ne'er-do-wells always are "hungry" despite the alcoholic incoherence of their breaths and always they need a small coin for a loaf of bread, a cup of coffee.

Perhaps the most persistent downtown annoyance are these dirty-faced panhandlers, many of whom approach belligerency on being denied. They need crisp handling and should any resident find it expedient to grab one by the nape of the neck and hip pockets and give him the traditional bum's rush that resident will endear himself to his fellow townsmen, if not to the jungle population.

The legion of gimme-boys are a pain and everyone should guard himself against that moment of sympathetic weakness when one is inclined to yield a dime rather than argue. It is just such soft-heartedness which brings these moral and physical derelicts into town.

Every man who is willing to work has a place for himself and practically all bums are as able-bodied as anybody. Turn 'em all down!

LETTERS

FOR SOME REAL FUN

To the Editor:
Why not make Hallowe'en in Ashland this year a gala event—a regular mardi gras? In the "e-fete east," sponsored by some civic organization, Hallowe'en is observed with a mummers' parade, with flares, marching bands and prizes for the best costumes. These colorful spectacles attract large crowds from the countryside and furnish much merriment. As

a grand finale a public dance is held and the receipts often are more than ample to pay the cash prizes and other expenses incident to the celebration. Here is an opportunity for some local organization to give Ashland an evening of rare enjoyment.

OLD TIMER

● Ben Tanner, until recently a resident of Ashland, was here this week-end while enroute from his home in Oakland, Calif., to Montana, where he will spend the winter.
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Why a Pre-Arranged Funeral?

FOURTH—To avoid any confusing incidents prior to the funeral such as: Choice of funeral directors, selection of casket, discussion of costs, decision on numerous related items, the conflicting advice of relatives and friends and many others—all of which should not be permitted to intrude.



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Ever-Normal Granary Facts: Beef

U.S. farmers in 1940 have feed grains, including supplies, to produce enough BEEF to feed everyone in the USA as much BEEF as each ate in 1939, with enough left over for 23,000,000 other people.

Lincoln School

- On Sept. 16, the sixth grade organized a library. First they elected Maryetta Baughman librarian. The class made library cards for the books. These will be used to charge the books.
- J. C. McBride, one of the pupils in the sixth grade, is ill with tonsillitis.
- George Fullerton, a pupil of the sixth grade, is in the hospital. He had an operation for appendicitis.
- Wednesday morning Mr. Tripp brought part of the high school orchestra over to the Lincoln school to play for the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. He showed the boys and girls the different instruments and played each one so they would know them when they heard them. They enjoyed it very much.
- Dorothy Elhart and Aileen Athanas drew large pictures for the library in room 7. One of them shows a scene from Heide and the other one is Huckleberry Finn fishing. They are very nice.
- The fourth grade boys of room five challenged the fifth grade boys of room six for a game of soccer Monday noon, Sept. 16. The score was 2 to 2. Leon Haynie of room eight was referee for the game.
- Room 6 is making more furniture for the room library. The boys are planning on building chairs, a table and a three-cornered bookcase. The girls are making pillows.
- The boys and girls of room 6 elected room officers. They are, president, Ronald Nance; vice president, Bill Starnes; secretary, Edward Beare, and treasurer, Carl Surber.
- The second grade has been bringing grasshoppers, butterflies, cocoons, goldfish and frogs to school to study for science.

Traffic Safety Work Planned for All High Schools Within State

An expanded program of traffic safety education is being launched in Oregon as the fall school terms get under way this year, it was announced today by Earl Snell, secretary of state and sponsor of the state highway and street safety program.

Safe driving courses will be conducted in virtually every high school in the state this year, beginning Sept. 16. Two state examiners will be conducting series of schools in various sections of the state during the school year, each course lasting seven weeks during which students receive one hour of instruction each week. The courses feature at-the-wheel instruction in all phases of automobile driving.

Many schools in the state now include instruction in safety in their curricula and the instruction manual "Are Young Drivers Good Drivers?" distributed by the secretary of state's office, is available for these schools. These courses are designed to develop proper attitudes of safe driving, with the thought in mind that those individuals with the proper driving attitudes will be safer drivers, Snell said.

"The schools in Oregon are doing splendid work in the safety field," Snell said. "Students enrolled in the various courses are becoming definitely safety-minded and that means that when they start driving, they will be conscious of the importance of developing good driving practices as a means of preventing accidents."

An intensive program of bicycle safety is planned for this year, the campaign being keyed to a new bicycle manual being prepared by the traffic safety division of the state department. This manual will be distributed to youngsters of school age and will tie in with the various local municipal bicycle safety programs, it was said. It will contain material relating to the proper bicycle riding practices and will outline the rules and reg-

ulations pertaining to bicycle riding in this state.

Safety education programs in CCC camps in the state have formed an important part of the educational projects in this organization and the safety text distributed by the state department is widely used in these programs. Parent-teacher associations are stressing the value of safety education and are encouraging comprehensive programs in connection with their work with the schools of the state.

The Oregon Traffic Safety Exchange, monthly bulletin published by Snell's office, will be sent to various schools of the state this year for use in their class room discussions on the safety problem. This is a new phase of the program, Snell said.

Eyewitnesses of War Horrors Will Lecture In Medford Monday

Relating eye-witness stories of the war, two former residents of European nations will lecture at the high school auditorium in Medford on Monday evening, Sept. 23. They are Countess Morag Zamoyaska, formerly of Warsaw, Poland, and Mrs. Ivison Macadam, former resident of London. The two women are appearing under the sponsorship of the Jackson County League of Women Voters.

Countess Zamoyaska lived thru the violent air and artillery attack made on Warsaw. She will describe the days during and after the siege, when water was unavailable because all water systems had been destroyed, and when the only food was flesh cut from horses killed by flying bomb fragments. The Countess did not leave Poland until November of last year and her husband is still confined in a German concentration camp.

Mrs. Macadam, a daughter of

the E. R. Corbetts of Portland and the wife of an Englishman, will give first-hand comments of life in war-time England. Mrs. Macadam, who left London last June and traveled to this country with a group of refugee children, spent her last night in England in an air-raid shelter during an all-night alarm.
A small admission charge is being made for the lecture to defray expenses of the speakers. The lecture will be at 8 o'clock.
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