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#### WITH THE NEW YEAR COME NEW OWNERS OF THE SOUTHERN OREGON MINER!

The longing for adventure lurks in every man's breast, but only occasionally does opportunity permit it to blossom into realization. The Miner's editor and publisher, for these last several years, has been attempting to hold down the safety valve on an urge to go to sea and this fall let his hold slip. Consequently, feelers were sent out among the journalistic fraternity for successors and, after several months of negotiations, arrangements were completed with Chas. M. Giffen and William Savin of Marysvale, Utah and Wednesday, Jan. 1, the two took possession of The Miner as its new editors and publishers.

The Miner since its creation nine years ago has been the brain-child of the retiring editor who lavished an abundance of affection and some hard work on the weekly which flourished after being transplanted into the fertile soil of Ashland's business life. Naturally, with an offspring so cherished, an editor-publisher was sought who would give it kind and thoughtful treatment and in Giffen and Savin we sincerely believe The Miner's future is assured.

Chas. M. Giffen is a newspaperman of more than 15 years experience as an editor and publisher, and his associate, William Savin, has been in newspaper work for more than two years. Together they make a friendly, effective team which should provide Ashland with a constantly improving, more valuable publication. We are certain that as Ashland folks get to know them, and they the community, a lasting and mutually pleasant friendship will result.

We know, from reference and direct experience, that Mr. and Mrs. Giffen and Mr. Savin will be an outstanding asset as citizens of the community and it is with distinct pleasure and confidence that we are able to turn over The Miner to such capable and likeable folks.

So here's farewell, readers and friends, from your constant admirer and appreciative editor. Our stay in Ashland has been enriched by association with many fine people in Oregon's best city. When you're over on the coast, look us up and see what a green but enthusiastic commercial fisherman looks like!

Although his leadership may have a decisive influence on the final outcome of war in Europe, President Roosevelt flaunts none of his deadly effective military understanding-which easily may be the match and death of Adolf Hitler, who loves to strut in continual parade of gaudy military uniforms. It is entirely in keeping with finest democratic principles that our President is photographed only in civilian that our President is photographed only in civilian enrollment for this year to a new record high of 3622, according to clothes. In contrast to the dictators, our first citizen word received here today. This is is a visual tribute to the common man for whom he an increase of almost 100 over the figure at this time a year ago of labors.

#### WHEELER'S ISOLATIONIST ANSWER WAS FOR THE MORALLY WEAK AND THE TIMID!

Following President Roosevelt's world-stirring address Sunday night, this department tuned in Senator in physical education; Beth Cing-Wheeler's "reply" the following evening, more to hear cade, freshman in health educawhat an American-style appeaser sounds like rather tion; Jean Frideger, freshman in business administration; LeRoy D. than to ponder his words.

The President clearly stated America's feeling ior in music; John O. Thompson, toward continued and increased aid to Britain and senior in business administration, Greece and put into emphatic words our condemnation and Gordon W. Tripp, graduate in music. of the totalitarian behavior. He brought home to all of us the importance and gravity of the crisis to present and future America and his words, perhaps, were among the most important of recent decades. Roosevelt, in this, has the preponderant majority of citizens back of him to the limit.

Contrasted to the President's deeply significant words was the rationalizing timidity of thought expressed by Senator Wheeler the following evening and the Montanan's talk only strengthened America's de-

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termination to be an active influence for what we believe to be right.

The strange thing about our native-model appeasers is their clothing of patriotism, their expression of noble purpose. Yet none could serve better the desires of Hitler and Mussolini.

Judged by their deeds and the final result of their teachings, our own appeasement bloc-our isolationists-are a fifth column weakening the power behind the fighting fronts, honeycombing the timbers of moral strength with doubts and hesitancy. Our Wheelers and Lindberghs, unwittingly perhaps, are the servants of Hitler, the errand-boys of totalitarianism. Their work is invaluable to success of aggression and a disservice to the nation which they profess to defend.

Extending the right of free speech to such men as Senator Wheeler does not prevent us from perceiving the fatal, though subtle, slow poisoning in their words.

Wheeler seems more intent on exercising the right of free speech than in helping preserve it and illustrates truth of Hitler's boast, "While democracies talk.

visit friends.

· Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ohlund and son Robert spent a week in

Portland, returning home Sunday.

• Jim Bayliss left Monday for San Francisco on business and to

#### Ashland Contributes Students to Oregon

Every county in Oregon and nearly all states and territories, as well as a number of foreign countries, are represented on the

university rolls.
Students from Ashland, with their classes and major subjects, include Marilyn Christlieb, senior Kaegi, freshman in business ad-ministration; Lolita Pierson, jun-

### SOME OBSERVATIONS

Saul of Tarsus was the original own booster. He proudly boasted: "I am a citizen of no mean city." It might be a good thing if our knife and fork clubs would take a little time out to discuss matters pertaining to civic betterment and then submit their recommendations to the city council. No doubt the city fathers would welcome suggestions from these organized groups that would promote the best interests of the community..... OLD TIMER.

Kelley Brooks of Medford spent Christmas at M. Seif's.

• Mrs. Olive Allison, Mrs. Carmen Purvis and Mr. and Mrs. Earle Temple spent Friday in

ADD LOCALS Nan Goeller, Christine Palmer and Betty Grace Robbins visited Years with Alice Harker.

• Mr. and Mrs. Dolf Kent of Sacramento left Saturday for their home following a Christmas visit here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Kent.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Burns and children recently returned to their home in Antioch, Calif., following holiday here with relatives.

HILT NEWS

### Holidays **Bring Parties**

Mrs. L. Clark and daughter Doris were co-hostesses at a dinner last Saturday evening at their home on Mt. Crest ranch, The guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ohlund, Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar Holmberg, Mr. Mrs. Harry De Jarnett and Mr. and Mrs. John De Witt.

· Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Black entertained on Christmas day at their home at Brae Crest with Mr. Black's mother, Mrs. Mabel Hildreth. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hildreth and children, Norma and Ray-mond, and Miss Hazel Black of Scott Valley and Ivan Black and Miss Mary Cattuzzo of Hilt spending the day with them.

. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Watts of Mt. Crest entertained with a turkey dinner on Christmas day. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Williams and sons Russell and Roy, Earl Watts, Clifford Watts and John Martin.

· Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Favero and son spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Favero.

 Neil Haig and Neal Richards of Seattle were Friday night guests at the Fred Bayliss home. Saturday morning, accompanied by Warren Bayliss and Buck Miller, who is spending the holidays with him, they left for Fresno where they plan to visit with friends and to attend the Rose Bowl game. All are fraternity brothers and students at the University of Washington.

. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bresolin and son were Christmas guests at the Primo Favero home.

. Mr. and Mrs. Earle Temple who spent a week visiting friends in Hilt and Hornbrook left Sunday for their home in Sacramento.

• Mrs. W. A. Gran received word Thursday of the death of her fa-

ther, Albert M. Roby, Dec. 21 at his home in Gig Harbor, Wash. He was 85 years and five months old and had been in poor health

for some time.

• Earle Watts spent New Years day visiting relatives in San Fran-

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Black and children spent New Years day with relatives in Scott Valley.

· Ben Ollom was taken ill and rushed to the Sacramento hospital by train Thursday evening emergency treatment. Dr. R. F Schlappi accompanied him. Mrs. Ollom left Tuesday evening for Sacramento to be with him.

· Mrs. Stella King is spending her vacation in Portland visiting

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