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The Editor Speaking
Saga: Sold on the "why pay cash" idea, Ralph Jurgites began buying on time. When instalments were due he borrowed money. When the loans were due he pawned the things he'd bought on time. When he had a drawer full of pawn tickets and total debts of \$580, he decided it was a vicious circle, so he asked the police to jail him, thus leaving his creditors a clear field for worrying.—News Week.

A pedestrian was somewhat more than startled the other noon when a motorist (out of town, of course) actually stopped for her when she was crossing an intersection. This should serve as an example and reminder to local motorists that there is no open season on pedestrians who stay on the crosswalks.

Japanese editors are amused at American labor. Says Mainichi, "Who would want to conquer the democracies? They won't work more than forty hours a week for anybody"—not even for ourselves.

Movie stars will probably steer clear of France in the future for the government just drafted a law making divorce impossible until after three years of marriage and judges may even increase the reconciliation period to four years.

Winchell tells of a big scandal breaking in London. It seems an exclusive beauty shop was selling a shampoo of priceless eggs, four eggs to the shampoo, when you were lucky to even get one for breakfast.

TIME TO DOLL UP!

To the Editor:
While the "go to church" campaign is on it might be well to recall the saying of Wesley that "cleanliness indeed is next to Godliness." This aphorism is one that should be taken heed of by civic authorities. The appearance of Ashland's well kept streets is marred by unkempt parking lots, some bordering on main thoroughfares. Residents who keep their premises clean and tidy are deserving of commendation for their manifestation of civic pride and the civic authorities should show their appreciation by ordaining that all unmanicured lots be cleaned up forthwith. Since much effort is being made to attract tourists, a general clean-up of all eyesores is imperative. So mote it be.

OLD TIMER.

GAS PRICES INCREASE
All local service stations report that they have received notice of a one-half cent increase in the price of gasoline.

WHO DO CLASS MEETING HELD THURSDAY P. M.

The Who Do class of the Methodist church was entertained at the home of Mrs. Frank Davis Thursday afternoon. In the absence of the president and vice president, Mrs. G. W. Bruce presided. Miss Mary Young, missionary from Korea, led the devotions on the subject, "Making Our Feet Like Hind's Feet." Mrs. Paul Byers presented the program. Mrs. Bruce sang, "I Shall Not Pass Again This Way" and "I Love a Little Cottage." She was accompanied by Mrs. Davis. Mrs. Mabel Russel Lowther talked on "Training Camps" and read a prayer poem by Bishop Quayle. The hostess assisted by Mrs. Byers and Mrs. A. O. McGee served dainty refreshments to 15 members and guests. Miss Mary Young poured at the tea table.

Court Proceedings

Leonard Franklin Reed of Ashland was found guilty of driving without an operator's license and was fined \$1 and costs.

Lester Lawrence Briggs of Klamath Falls drew a fine of \$2.50 and costs for passing another car with insufficient clearance. Sylvester A. Holloway, who was charged with a similar offense, forfeited his bail of \$7.50.

David Jack Thompson was found guilty of angling without a license and received a fine of \$25, of which \$20 was remitted due to circumstances.

FRANK BECK 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)
"ROMANCE OF THE RIO GRANDE"
and
"MAISIE WAS A LADY"
(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)
"SANTA FE TRAIL"

Please Call at The Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

1400 ATTEND ANNUAL SOCE MUSIC FESTIVAL

More than 1400 children, teachers and parents were in Ashland yesterday as the annual music festival at the Southern Oregon College of Education got under way. About 35 schools were represented from Jackson and Josephine counties and Klamath Falls in the grades and junior high division of the festival.

Today, Friday, about 600 high school students will present a program of solos, ensembles and choruses with those earning a superior rating entitled to enter the northwest regional meet in Tacoma.

Thursday's program was opened with addresses of welcome by Mayor Thornton S. Wiley and SOCE President Walter Redford. Then a huge chorus of between 600 and 700 unchanged voices, directed by Miss Louise Woodruff, music director of Southern Oregon College of Education, who is in charge of the festival, presented a group of folk songs.

Beautiful special numbers followed which included a rhythm band from the Bellview school; demonstration of choral work in a mixed grade group; demonstration of violin class work by the Washington school and dances by the Klamath Falls Riverside and Conger schools.

Miss Virginia Hales then directed a group of colorful folk dances, and the junior high girls' choral ensemble of over 325 voices under direction of Miss Harriet Hill presented three numbers. Following this, 170 junior high boys in a boys' choral ensemble directed by R. Cloyd Riffe sang three excellent numbers.

At this time awards were made for music week posters by the Pro Musica club of Southern Oregon College of Education. Prizes in the first division which included grades 9-12 were: first, Ray Ellison, Phoenix; second, Ned Barraclough, Ashland, and honorable mention, James Smith and Clara Ann Roberson, Ashland. In the second division, including grades 6-8 the awards were: first, Geraldine Yoakum, Medford; second, Ellen Young, Medford, and honorable mention, Patsy Ellison, Phoenix and Charlene Roberson, Ashland.

The junior high choral group was climaxed by a mixed chorus of about 400 voices directed by Miss Lillie Darby.

More special numbers followed including the Klamath Falls and Ashland bands and a combined junior orchestra of 160 pieces assembled and directed in several numbers by Lucie Landen.

A fitting concluding number in the program was "Aloha" played by a brass quartet from Klamath Falls whose members have attended the festival for the past four years, but who now graduate into senior competition.

Drivers' Licenses Increased to \$1.50

Persons holding drivers' licenses which expire June 30 of this year will not be required to take an examination when they renew the licenses, it was announced today by Earl Snell, secretary of state. Examinations are required, however, for those persons who were not licensed during the 1939-1941 period and for persons 70 years of age or older.

Drivers' licenses for the 1941-1943 period will cost \$1.50 this year, instead of one dollar, due to creation of a motor vehicle accident fund by the 1941 legislative assembly, it was explained.

This fund is for payment of hospitalization costs of indigent persons injured in automobile accidents, cared for in hospitals which are then unable to collect from the patients. The fund will be administered by the state industrial accident commission and hospitals must be registered with the commission and follow a schedule of charges set up by the commission.

There will be approximately \$250,000 available for this fund during the coming two-year period as there will be at least 500,000 drivers licensed during that time, Snell said.

CHILD HEALTH CONFERENCE HELD LAST TUESDAY

There were 13 babies and preschool children present at the monthly child health conference held at the women's civic club house Thursday of last week. Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer, was in charge. The county nurse, Miss Helen Parrish, assisted. Other helpers were Miss Patricia Geiser, school nurse and Mrs. C. A. VanDewalker, nurse. Two nurses who have completed their courses in public health nursing at the Oregon University School of Nursing are doing their field work with the Jackson county health service. They also were present at the Ashland clinic.

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

A FOUNDING FATHER OF PREPAREDNESS.

HIS GIN HAD MADE COTTON KING—BUT PAID HIM NOTHING TILL YEARS LATER, IN 1812.

BACK IN NEW HAVEN HE GOT SOME FRIENDS TO INVEST, AND BUILT A FACTORY FOR ANOTHER PURPOSE. IT SEEMED A FLAT FAILURE, BUT EVENTUALLY HIS INITIATIVE, PATIENCE AND ENTERPRISE PROVED OUT.



IN THIS FACTORY MASS PRODUCTION— INTERCHANGEABLE PARTS—FOUNDATION STONES OF MODERN INDUSTRY AND TODAY'S NATIONAL DEFENSE WERE BOTH DEVELOPED BY ELI WHITNEY.— BY 1806 HE PRODUCED 10,000 MUSKETS WITH EACH LOCK, STOCK AND BARREL INTERCHANGEABLE.

UNBEATEN NET TEAM DOWNS KF

Ashland high's unbeaten tennis team took another win Saturday when six out of seven matches were taken from Klamath Falls on the local court. Only LaMar Ormond failed to come through for the Grizzlies. The hard-playing Ormond lost to Swanson 4-6, 8-6, 6-4.

Other matches, Ashlanders named first, were Charlie Jandreau over Stride 6-4, 6-3; Bud Provost won from Love 6-1, 6-1; Jack Merritt defeated Corniel 6-4, 6-1; and Bill Cooke won over Brosterhaus 6-3, 6-0.

In the doubles matches Jandreau and Provost teamed to win from Love and Stride 7-5, 6-0. Merritt and Ormond downed Swanson and Corniel 6-3, 3-6, 6-2. Medford defeated Grants Pass in the other Southern Oregon league matches.

Ashland Choral Club Rehearsal Tuesday

Tuesday evening the Ashland Choral club had its first full rehearsal with the Ashland Chamber orchestra and soloists of the cantata, "The Dancer of Fjard," and turned in a performance that gives promise of setting a new high in musical achievement in southern Oregon.

The chorus sang with sureness and buoyancy while ably supported by the orchestra. The thrilling voice of Ferne Epler, dramatic soprano who sings the part of the captive dancing girl, gives a stimulus to the performance that lifts it far above the average. Mrs. Frank Wenzel's interpretation of the Older Woman, who has been a captive for many years, has great depth and imagination.

The first full rehearsal showed an unusual feeling for ensemble in this, the first choral-orchestral performance for southern Oregon.

Members of the chorus are Betty Adams, Hazel Crosby, Pearl Wilson, Ruth Jordan, Dena Powell, Ruby Mason, Ora Duffield, Mayne Carey, Norma Erwin, Beulah Williams, Rita Peart, Viola Crawford, Mildred Rogers, Norma Williams, Rosalie Simmonds, Isabel Cook, Hattie Litwiler, Marie Flaharty, Jean Dunham, Mildred Thornton, Hope Reinbold, Florence Allen, Doris Corry and Violet Milford.

The Ashland Music club is presenting the Choral club with Violet Milford and Margaret Ramsey, duo-pianists, Monday, May 5, at 8:15 p. m. in the SOCE auditorium.

GOOD TRAFFIC RECORD

Ashland has been listed as one of 31 Oregon cities that have a clean traffic record for the first quarter in 1941. That means there have been no traffic fatalities thus far.

O'NEIL NAMED JULY 4TH PLANS DISCUSSED SOON

Frank W. O'Neil, graduate of Pacific university and coach at Scappoose, Ore., for the past three years, has been selected to replace Leighton Blake as football coach at Ashland high school. Blake resigned here to accept a position with the Columbia River Trucking company in their Portland offices.

O'Neil graduated from Grants Pass high school in 1932 and from Pacific university, where he was a star football player, in 1936. He spent one year at Hermiston as coach and has since been at Scappoose.

His record as coach shows 28 football wins against 10 losses and 68 wins and 21 losses in basketball.

He will assume instruction of biology classes and Jerry Gastineau, basketball coach, will be advanced to head of the physical education program, a vacancy created by Blake's resignation.

O'Neil, a golfer, life-guard and playground supervisor, is married and will take up residence here when the fall term starts. He is, however, expected to visit here before the completion of the spring term.

Stearns Grocery Opening Tomorrow

H. A. Stearns and son Bob are opening a new grocery at 61 North Main street in Ashland with J. E. Moseley as manager. A fine line of groceries will be offered to Ashland housewives at most reasonable prices, according to Stearns.

Since the store was vacated April 1, the building has been completely redecorated and remodeled, including a convenient entrance into the Plaza meat market.

The grand opening will be held tomorrow (Saturday) when free coffee, cheese and other foods will be served. The owners and management have extended an invitation to the public to visit their up-to-date store and enjoy their hospitality on opening day.

Rare Opportunities For Flying Cadets

No, Uncle Sam has not gone into the movie plot business of fabulous success stories when he declares, "United States army flying cadets are paid \$75 a month and are allowed one dollar a day for rations. They are also provided free of charge with uniforms, living accommodations and medical care." It's a fact, according to Lt.-Col. B. H. Hensley, Oregon district recruiting officer.

Moreover, the training received by the lucky lads who can meet the requirements for this particular class of service is equal to a \$25,000 scholarship. When they have completed their course they are commissioned as second lieutenants at \$205 a month, and even a Hollywood plot couldn't laugh that one off.

Any unmarried Oregon Lochinvar who'd like to go riding out of the west into a \$205 job has a chance to become a flying cadet, providing he is between the ages of 20 and 26, sound of limb and has two years of college training or is able to pass an educational examination. Applications are available at any army recruiting station, according to Colonel Hensley, who also pointed out that the air corps is now undertaking the greatest expansion program in the history of the United States army.

ENDERS READY FOR FINAL LAP IN FLYING COURSE

John H. Enders of Ashland is among the 350 flying cadets who are completing the second phase of their flight training.

They will be transferred soon to the advanced flight training school where they will remain 10 weeks before they are ready to receive the wings of army corps officers.

DISTRICT WSCS MEETING IN MEDFORD WEDNESDAY

The sub-district convention of the WSCS met in an all-day session at the Methodist church in Medford Wednesday. Mrs. Jesse Burch of Forest Grove, conference president; Mrs. E. Tilton of Cottage Grove, district president, and Mrs. C. L. Camp, returned missionary from India, gave inspirational addresses.

Those attending from Ashland were Dr. and Mrs. George W. Bruce, Mrs. J. R. MacCracken, Mrs. Allen McGee, Mrs. J. N. Lowther, Mrs. William Worthington, Mrs. S. S. Engle, Mrs. Maude Marske and Mrs. D. L. Powell.

ROBERT DODGE WINS STATE MASONIC OFFICE

At the state Masonic meeting in Portland last week, Robert E. Dodge of Ashland was elected to the post of First Vell, Oregon grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons.

Only of Oregon Library

Hoffard to Pilot Rogues in SO League

Paul (Hoosier) Hoffard, long-time baseball figure at Medford, has been selected to pilot the Medford Rogues in the Southern Oregon league during the coming season. The loop, to be composed of four clubs, will have Medford, Grants Pass, Crescent City and either Cave City, Glendale or Roseburg as members.

Home games, according to Hoffard, will be played on the turfed high school field and the schedule will be so drawn up that it will not conflict with the state league Craters.

Steve Crippen, with the Craters last season, has definitely been signed to pitch for the Rogues and an attempt also is under way to sign Frank (Nig) DiSordi for the mound. DiSordi formerly pitched for Ashland and attended Southern Oregon College of Education.

HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

The house owned by J. Q. Pollard at 480 Chestnut street was completely destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon. Mrs. G. C. Prescott, a near neighbor, turned in the alarm. Mr. Pollard, unable to explain the cause of the fire, suggested that a smoldering fire in the flue might have been responsible. The house was partially covered by insurance, but furnishings were a total loss.

Mrs. Frank Van Dyke was hostess to Chapter BN, PEO, last Saturday. Mrs. H. G. Enders presided over the business session. Mrs. Will Dodge and Mrs. Don Hinthorne read a play during the program hour.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cooke have announced the engagement of their daughter, Anita Mary, to Bruce Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anderson of Seattle. George Carter, county clerk, was an Ashland visitor Wednesday.

SEEN IN A DAZE



LLOYD SELBY "paying off" for a statewide police alarm—it seems that when he was corraling his used cars for the night, a stray wandered into the flock.

EARL SCHILLING learning the hard way that one must not lean too heavily on glass showcases.

FRANCES WEBB being a very attractive background for a new sparkler.