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## Planning Should Be Pushed

Although the cantonment civic coordinator has stressed the "if, as and when" basis of the proposed cantonment, planning work should continue with all possible haste, for the effects of such a project are too immense to be gambled with.

The project already has had its progressive influence by making the general public more keenly aware of civic problems and resulting in the organization of a city planning commission. It has roused us from our rather monotonous "business as usual" attitude against which most new and progressive ideas come to naught.

One worthwhile project suggested as a direct result of cantonment planning has been the proposed construction of a band concert shell and dance floor in Lithia park, the primary purpose in mind being to help provide for the recreation of soldiers who will overflow into Ashland. A supervised community dance, it was pointed out, is a big "ounce of prevention" against the sprouting up of uncontrollable beer and dance dives outside the city limits.

In addition, the plan has other commendable features aside from its connection with camp recreation. A modern concert shell would be an attractive addition to the park especially since it would do away with the present prehistoric band stand and would be a welcome addition to the limited recreational facilities of Ashland. Aside from its use for community dances, it would provide an amphitheatre for various outdoor gatherings.

So let's stay wide awake and keep on planning for the future regardless of whether or not the camp comes to the valley.

## Let Labor Emulate Industry

Testifying before a senate committee, Leon Henderson, federal price administrator, said that he will oppose further wage increases if they force unjustified increases in commodity costs. He then praised American industry for cooperating with his department in the vital work of preventing inflation and holding down prices.

Labor is taking a mighty short-sighted point of view if it believes it can keep on getting higher and higher wages without, in the long run, producing price increases which will have a ruinous effect on the standard of living of the great masses of the American people. What really counts is a family's "real wages"—that is, its income judged by the light of what it will buy. Today labor's "real wages" are the highest in its history. Strikes and lockouts which result from unjustified and unfair demands on the part of labor must eventually force "real wages" down by inflating prices.

American industry, as Mr. Henderson said, is doing a fine job on behalf of the public. Retail industry, led by the chain stores and by the organized independents, is providing an especially noteworthy example of this. These stores have publicly pledged themselves to fight profiteering, to discourage speculation, to keep the public informed as to true conditions, to oppose "hysterical" buying, and to do everything else in their power to prevent price rises. Retail industry, in other words, is not trying to cash in on the emergency. And that is one of the main reasons why price increases have so far been moderate, despite the inflationary tendencies that any such extraordinary efforts as the arms drive produce.

Labor, if it is interested in its own welfare, to say nothing of the nation's welfare and security, would do well to take a page from industry's book. Some of labor's best friends have said time and again that there is no legitimate excuse for most of the recent strikes which have delayed production of essential supplies. It is to be hoped that Mr. Henderson's far-sighted point of view finds its reflection in other high government circles.—Industrial News Review.

### HILT NEWS

#### Parties Feature Social Life of Hilt

The Women's Society of Christian Service met Thursday afternoon at the club house with Mrs. T. Anderson as hostess. Mrs. John De Witt, president, conducted the meeting which was opened by the reading of the first Psalm by Mrs. Quamme and prayer by the chaplain, Mrs. Arthur Pedersen. Following the regular business an announcement was made that there would be just one meeting in July. Those who attended were Mesdames John De Witt, T. Anderson, Arthur Pedersen, Bert Mitchell, W. Holmberg, T. Quamme, H. De Jarnett, Frank Bernheisel, A. Samuelson, W. Dutro, F. Haynes, Ray Elliott, E. Richardson, Enzie Wright, W. Gran, O. Bernheisel, Maud Wert, Stella Roop, E. Robinson, Frank Ohlund and Crandall. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Foster celebrated their first wedding anniversary Thursday with a dinner at their home which was attended by Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Walker and sons Buster and Billy and daughter Audrey, and Russel Williams. After the dinner all attended the show in Ashland.

Donna McCullough's 10th birthday was the occasion celebrated with a picnic party in Lithia park Thursday followed by a show in the afternoon. A lovely lunch which included a pink and white birthday cake with 10 candles was enjoyed by the party. Donna received many nice gifts. Those who attended were Ruth Rosecrans, Babe and Helen Bernheisel, Audrey Graves, Marylyn Dunaway, Judy Bray, Diane Ward, Barbara Alphonse and Laura Geroy, and the hostesses Mrs. Walter Bray, Mrs. Ruby Coleman, Mrs. Don Ward and Mrs. Frank Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward, Donna McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ward and daughter Diane spent the week-end in Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cappello drove to Weed Saturday.

Mrs. Maud Wert spent the week-end in Ashland visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Francis.

Mrs. W. Walker and Mrs. Walt Foster drove to Weed Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bray and daughter Judy attended the baseball game in Hornbrook Sunday and picnicked after the game with relatives.

Mrs. Ethel Seif was guest of honor Tuesday at a surprise birthday party which celebrated her reaching the half-century mark. Those who attended were the co-hostesses and sponsors, Mrs. Clinton Cobb, Mrs. Arthur Pedersen and Mrs. Ed Wells, and Mrs. Ornan Lee, Mrs. Olive Allison and Miss Bernice Bloomingcamp. The refreshments included a lovely birthday cake baked by Mrs. A. Pedersen. Mrs. Seif received many lovely gifts and birthday cards from friends and relatives in honor of the occasion.

Bob Purvis of Portland is guest at the home of his brother, Jim Purvis.

Casey Jones of Yreka started to work in the box factory Monday.

#### MRS. WILLIAM LINDSAY

Funeral services were held Monday morning at the Litwiler Funeral home for Mrs. William Lindsay, who passed away at her home June 20. Mrs. Lindsay was born Jan. 22, 1871 in Shetland Islands near Scotland. In 1909 she was married to William Lindsay at Fresno, Calif. They moved to Ashland where they have since resided. She is survived by her husband and three sons, Henry, Roland and David of Ashland. Rev. James Edgar officiated at the services.



A few of the 259 British refugee children, cared for until they could be placed in families, by the Seamen's Church Institute of New York, Episcopal church organization at the New York water front. They came from London, Oxford, Coventry, with memories of black-outs and bombings. Now they are safe for the duration of the war.

### TALENT NEWS

#### Boy Scouts Attend Theater In Body

The Boy Scouts attended the show at the Craterian theater in a group Thursday evening. The next meeting will be held Thursday evening in conjunction with the Townsend club.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. DeBord who operate the Talent lunch stand spent Sunday in Canyon City guests of relatives.

Mr. Leo Nelson and two children of near Medford and Mrs. S. Drake of Nebraska called on friends here Monday afternoon.

Mateline Maxwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Maxwell, is spending a vacation in Lockey, Tex., visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cowdrey and children Carl and Shirley spent the week-end in Selad Valley, Calif. with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maygard and family of Seattle visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams last week. Mrs. Williams is the mother of Mr. Maygard.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Estes spent Sunday at Crescent City guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Estes, former residents of Talent.

Harland Lowe who spent the past month visiting his parents returned to McChord Field where he is stationed with the US army. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stone of Seattle spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cook. Mrs. Cook is an aunt of Mrs. Stone.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Parks were entertained at dinner Sunday in Lithia park by Mr. and Mrs. Roland Parks. Those who enjoyed the party were Bob Bectel of Dunsuir, Mrs. Walter Bevington, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Parks and daughter Tammy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lewis and Carl Slack visited friends in Gazelle, Calif., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moffit and family of Medford called on Mr. and Mrs. George Pfeifer Saturday afternoon.

Ray Schumaker, wife and daughter have returned to Talent after an absence of four years. Mrs. Schumaker is installing a fountain in the Blake building adjoining the Norris grocery. Mr. Schumaker formerly was owner of the Talent meat market.

Mrs. Rosetta Merrick of Pasadena is visiting her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Breeze, who is ill at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Miller of Boulder, Colo. have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hamilton for the past week.

## MORE YOUTHS PROGRAM NEED

Still more enrollees are needed for the summer sports program, according to Al Simpson, director. Tennis and swimming are being attempted between showers but clear weather will find these sports going in full swing. Again Simpson reminded that, especially these two sports, need more participants badly for better competition. The director also added that the entire program is going on despite the rain.

The baseball school is progressing nicely, said Simpson. Plans are under way now whereby softball teams will be organized representing various sections of town and inter-city games will be played.

Simpson also drew attention to the fine opportunity offered the program participants to learn golf. Classes will be held at the golf course every Monday and Wednesday at 3 p. m. with Jean Eberhart as instructor.

## Ashland Boy Is a Boys' State Mayor

Bill Blackmer of Ashland was elected one of the 12 mayors at Corvallis Monday as the fifth annual Beaver Boys State got under way.

The Boys' State is sponsored by the American Legion and this week at camp makes it possible for the boys to actually live democracy as they become familiar with the duties and powers and general makeup of all the offices of county, state and nation.

Attendance at the camp this year is 264 with Medford second only to Portland in the size of their delegation. Others attending from Ashland in addition to "Mayor" Blackmer are Bill Green, Bill Cooke, Bill Cate and Fritz Buehling.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal McNair attended a state druggist convention at Gearhart this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Boyd of Los Angeles, enroute to British Columbia, visited Tuesday with Mrs. Boyd's uncle, C. B. Andrews.

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