

With a price ceiling on sugar we will at least have sugar for our coffee—if we have any coffee.

One spark of realism in the mock warfare in the northwest was the conflicting news reports arising from the different camps.

How times do change! Two men were given stiff fines this week for flaccidly on the street in the once rip-roaring old town of Jacksonville.

A deep subject was being discussed in Hill last week upon discovery of an old 650-foot well, sealed over for many years and unknown to the oldest inhabitants.

The Yreka Journal proclaims pitiful pilfering of a publisher's purse by pickpockets. Petty thievery is drab news. The deep dark mystery is why should a newspaper man carry a purse.

Requests for aluminum pots reached every town and hamlet in the land, but when a production plant is needed, big cities far removed from the source of both minerals and power alone are considered.

No urgent movement seems to be in progress to start production of aluminum. Maybe the housewife donations were above present needs. Naturally, we don't want an oversupply of anything—it might lower the price.

All things have their compensations and a weekly newspaper not the least to share them. We have only one advance of the Nazi army and one advance of the Red army to report each week. The daily papers have seven advances of each to report.

THIS AND THAT

To the Editor:
"Highway safety, boiled down, is simply a matter of highway courtesy," says a National Safety Council official. And where courtesy won't boil down to safety hardboiled enforcement will help.

Judging from the number of scorched lawns and parking strips in this burg, your observer has come to the conclusion that there is a greater shortage of rubber hose than there is of the silk variety.

The infernal chatter occasioned by the juggling of freight cars in the local railroad yards is enough to waken the Seven Sleepers, let alone to disturbing the slumbers of residents in the lower end of town. Have a heart, mates!

The season for full backs, quarter backs and broken backs will soon open.

Ashland's anticipated airport apparently has gone with the wind.

OLD TIMER.

Soldiers, Sailors Reunion August 29

The 49th annual reunion of the Soldiers and Sailors association of Southern Oregon will be held in Ashland Friday, Aug. 29. Registration will begin at 9:30 in Lathia park near the band stand. The business meeting will be held in the same place at 10:30.

A potluck dinner will be served at noon in the Civic club house. The hostesses, Women's Relief Corps and Daughters of Union Veterans of Ashland, will serve the hot dishes. At 2 p. m. in the Civic club house there will be a program consisting of one number furnished by each organization present. Members of associations are expected from Grants Pass, Gold Hill, Central Point and Medford. All are welcome to the program. It will be a fine opportunity to meet friends and neighbors.

PASTOR RETURNS

Rev. and Mrs. Bertrand F. Peterson and family returned Friday from a two-weeks stay in San Francisco where they were in attendance at the operation upon their son Wesley for an eye affliction at Green's Eye hospital. In their absence the services at the Church of the Nazarene were under the direction of Rev. C. O. Preshall.

C. E. HUFFMAN 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)
"THE BIG STORE"
and
"SUNSET IN WYOMING"
(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)
SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS
Please Call at The Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

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COORDINATOR AT LIONS DINNER

The situation in regard to the proposed Medford cantonment remains unchanged regardless of various rumors, stated Frank Van Dyke, cantonment coordinator, speaking at the Lions dinner Tuesday evening at the Lathia hotel.

Van Dyke told of the work of his department and of the problems which will face the community in the event that the cantonment is constructed. The housing situation remains the major problem confronting the department with the inadequacy of local housing revealed by the recent housing survey conducted, according to the coordinator. It was pointed out that in other cantonment areas no assistance was forthcoming from the federal housing board for temporary housing, but that certain funds were available for permanent projects.

Plans also were revealed pertaining to farmer rehabilitation program which will be put into action to assist the farmers who will have to be moved from their lands and relocated if the cantonment is constructed.

According to Van Dyke, the survey and drawing up of plans for the camp are nearing completion. Present plans include an area of some 70,000 acres to be divided into three districts—building space, artillery range, and area for light artillery and maneuvering. One point in favor of the Medford site is the abundance of good water. An option has been taken for five million gallons of water per day.

School Supt. Theo J. Norby also was a guest speaker at the Lions dinner. He spoke briefly on the financial planning in regard to the proposed erection of a new Washington school and answered questions on various phases of the problem.

Anglers' Aid Asked In State Survey

With plans completed for a state-wide survey of fall fishing conditions, the Oregon state game commission is requesting cooperation of anglers who can give valuable assistance by sending in report cards following fishing trips.

C. A. Lockwood, assistant supervisor of the commission, who is in charge of lake and stream survey work now being carried on by four crews of biologists, is hopeful that every angler in the state will assist in this program.

"Response to our earlier appeals to return catch cards has been very satisfactory," said Lockwood. "During the fall months of the year our crews will be busily engaged in collecting data concerning fish life in our streams and lakes, and it is extremely important to obtain as many reports as possible on actual fishing conditions. Fishermen who have poor luck should report as readily as those who catch the limit. If we know where fishing is poor, it will aid us in applying remedies. At any event, the complete cooperation of anglers by using the catch cards will be greatly appreciated by the game department."

Many Truckers In Traffic Violations

Operators of logging trucks were the most frequent visitors this past week at the court of Justice of Peace M. T. Burns.

William Lynn Tracy received a fine of \$10 and costs for having logs loaded too high and lack of driver's license.

Richard Klimek, Talent, was fined for having an overwidth load and having no stop light.

Charles R. Lemmon was fined \$3 for an overheight load of logs and lack of stop light.

Raymond Harry Morris, Talent, also was guilty of having an overheight load and no stop light and was fined \$2 and costs.

David Wells Bradley, Talent, was fined \$2 and costs for an overwidth load and no stop light.

Ray Merle Spalding, Grants Pass, forfeited \$5.50 bail on a charge of passing with insufficient vision.

George Martin Davis, Talent, was fined \$2.50 and costs for allowing an unlicensed person to drive his car. Lorraine Mary Palmer, the driver, was fined \$1 and costs.

Emmett Pearl Morris, Ashland, forfeited \$5.50 bail on a charge of having no stop light.

William Hubert Barkert was fined \$2.50 and costs for having inadequate brakes and another \$2 and costs for lack of operator's license.

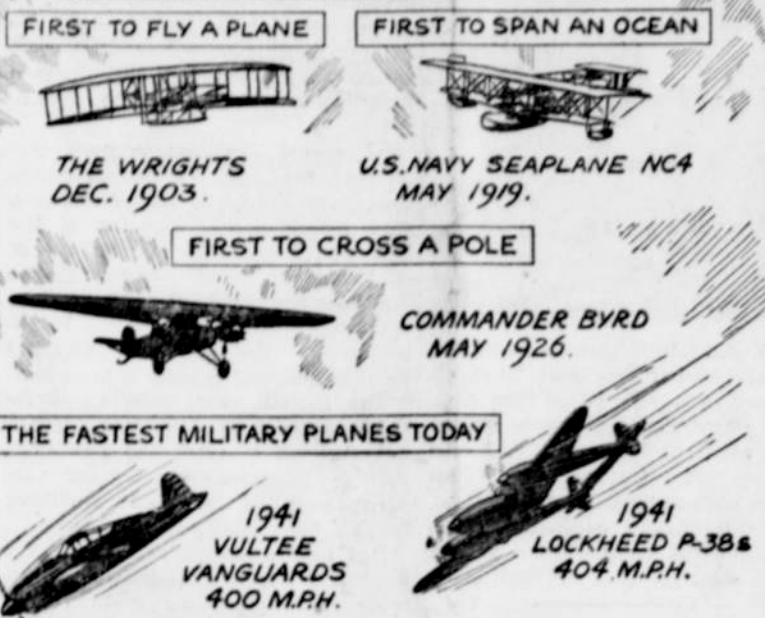
Norman Robert McDonald, Spokane, Wash., forfeited \$15 bail on a charge of hauling passengers for hire without a PUC permit.

Wesley Glenn Rush received a fine of \$1 and costs for failure to stop at a highway intersection.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bushnell and daughter were Medford visitors Saturday.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

AMERICANS AND THE AIR.



OUR CIVIL AVIATION HAS BEEN A LABORATORY AND A TRAINING SCHOOL—463 MILLION MILES FLOWN IN ONE YEAR BY CIVIL PLANES, BY LAST REPORT.



IS IT ANY WONDER THAT FOR ITS ARMY AND NAVY THE PEOPLE AND INDUSTRY OF THE U.S. CAN BUILD AND MAN THE BIGGEST, FINEST AIR FORCE IN THE WORLD?

MORE BUILDING IS 1941 TREND

Building has boomed in Ashland this year, according to building permit figures reported by City Recorder J. Q. Adams at the city council meeting Tuesday night.

Thus far this year, including July, 65 building permits have been issued which is almost 100 per cent ahead of any year since 1937. The building trend was fully reflected by council approval of two more applications for resident permits at the Tuesday night session. One was for the construction of a \$4,700 frame house and garage on Fern street for Earl Leever, and the other for a frame house and garage on Emerick avenue for Thomas Firstbrook.

In addition to routine reports, the council heard a report by City Attorney Frank Van Dyke indicating that Ashland's proposed airport suddenly is without sponsorship. According to Van Dyke, there are no funds available for the port and the Civil Aeronautics Administration, army and navy now deny any necessity for the port which was considered a class B defense unit. In view of this report it was decided to contact officials of the WPA, CAA and army and Oregon legislators in an effort to learn the actual standing of the proposed port.

Miss Peggy Whittle is visiting in Dunsmuir with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gill.

Special Meeting of C-C Directors Today

Chamber of commerce directors will meet at the Plaza Cafe at noon today for a special session to discuss the current financial problem, according to an announcement by President R. I. Flaharty. The meeting is of primary importance and all directors are asked to make a special effort to attend.

Attention will be directed to the fact that within the next 30 days the organization must accept one of two courses: re-financing on an adequate operating scale or restricting the activities to a modest information bureau.

HOME BUILDERS PICNIC

The Home Builders Sunday school class of the Methodist church enjoyed a picnic at the park Wednesday of last week. Mrs. Walter Herndon is teacher of the class. Two special guests were present, Miss Kate Voice and Mrs. Earl Fraley, both former Ashland residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey O. Brown and family of San Bernardino, Calif., have spent the past week visiting at the home of Harry Mitchell. Mr. Brown is a brother of Mrs. Mitchell.

Tracy Owen of Kansas visited with his sister, Mrs. Don Spencer, last week.

Professor and Mrs. DeWitt Bennett of Washington, D. C. are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Winkler.

THURSDAY VOTE TO DECIDE FATE OF BOND ISSUE

The election on the question of a bond issue to replace the Washington school building will be held Thursday, Aug. 28, from 2 p. m. to 7 p. m. at the Junior high school building.

As was previously announced, the board called the election after studying architectural reports indicating that the building was not safe nor educationally adequate.

A spokesman for the school board emphasized in a statement yesterday that having determined to their satisfaction the need of a new building and having called the coming election, the decision now rests entirely upon the shoulders of the voting public. Complete information regarding the project has been made available by the board and the old building has been open for inspection in order that the voters may be able to give the problem thorough study before casting their ballots.

In previous statements the safety factor has been stressed; however, the board has pointed out this past week that the educational inadequacy of the building is almost of equal importance since the existing facilities do not provide for a well-rounded educational program which includes music, art, assembly and auditorium activities.

In answer to criticism of building at this time the board has pointed out that the low interest rate at which money may now be secured would do much towards caring for increasing construction costs.

In regard to the possibility of remodeling, the board has not considered it practical because of the cost and unsatisfactory results and has stated, "The school board has gone on record as not favoring the spending of any more money than necessary on the present building. No one today can predict the future, but this body recognizes that we take care of needs as they arise. It is true that we are living in precarious and uncertain times and that is all the more reason we should properly take care of our youth. It is necessary to make the Washington school safe for an adequate educational program."

Bowling Association Meeting Tonight

A meeting of the city bowling association and the major league is called for 8 p. m. tonight at which time details of organization will be completed and plans for the coming season discussed.

The association was organized Friday night with Don Provost elected as president. Other officers elected were Harry Travis, vice president; Ivor Erwin, secretary-treasurer; and directors, Bill Allen, G. B. Hull, Dr. Schlappi of Hill and Sid Reed.

A major league was formed and will consist of the following eight teams: Shelby Chevrolet, Elks No. 1, Lions No. 1, Standard Cleaners, Reed's Service station, Ashland Aley's, Provost, and Hill. Officers of this league are Sid Reed, president; Bill Allen, vice president, and Jim Harker, secretary-treasurer.

Plans also are under way for formation of a Commercial league in the near future.

Special Days Set For '41 State Fair

Fitting enough, the opening day of the Oregon state fair at Salem will be dedicated to the laboring man and woman—for the fair opens on Labor day. Other special days arranged for the week are:

Tuesday, Sept. 2, Townsend and Service clubs' day; Wednesday, Governor's day and Salem day; Thursday, Portland, Realtors' and American Legion day; Friday, Farmers and Farm organizations' day; Saturday, Editors' and Children's day; Sunday, Fraternal day.

Women of this locality who expect to enter exhibits in the textiles and domestic baking departments at the fair are reminded that the entry deadlines are the night of Aug. 30. Further details may be obtained from the premium books, copies of which are still available through the fair office at Salem. Entries for amateur photographic art close at 4 p. m. Aug. 30.

An innovation this year will be free parking on the fair grounds for all cars arriving before 9 o'clock each morning. This is especially for the benefit of those who like to arrive ahead of the crowds so they may examine exhibits and displays more at their leisure; it will also help to relieve later congestion at the gates.

Mrs. G. B. Hull and daughter returned home Wednesday from a 10-day visit with her sister in Olympia, Wash.

BOARD CHAIRMAN OPPOSES BOND

Frank Davis, school board chairman, who opposed the plans for the vote on the bond issue for the erection of a new Washington school, has issued the following statement reviewing the reasons for his opposition.

To the Editor of the Southern Oregon Miner:

Having been asked by several people that I make some statement to the public as to my attitude regarding the proposed \$90,000 bond issue of school district N. 5 for the purpose of building a new Washington school, I am giving here a few of the things which influenced me to oppose this action of the board:

1. It seems to me that \$90,000 is too much money for the Ashland school district to spend for one small grade school building; it is out of all proportion to the cost of the other buildings, all of which are larger and have far more use.

2. If, on final investigation (and I want the public to know that up to this date, the board has been pushed along too fast, I think, for sane judgment about this matter), it finally appears that \$90,000 is necessary, then I think we should use \$20,000 of the general funds now on hand and make the bond issue \$70,000; this, rather than use that \$20,000 for shop at the high school as is advocated by the superintendent.

3. The saving on that \$20,000 is not only the principal sum on our debt column, but it actually means at least \$600 a year interest for 15 or 20 years, and that is too much of a difference to be lightly put aside.

4. It seems to me that this is the worst time of all that we should build, that our bids cannot be very satisfactory and that we ought at least to delay the building program until the spring of 1942, not only to have more time to think through the plans, but also that we may if possible get out of this period of crazy prices; that it would be far better to put it off two years than build now when we are more or less competing with the national government for labor and building material.

5. The present building has not been condemned. All that Mr. Perrin has said in that regard is that we had not better use the auditorium on the second floor as an auditorium; but we haven't been doing that for some little time. He further stated, however, that the building could be made safe. For a few hundred dollars I am positive that we can make the second floor safe and sure. This, I think, would be far better than to plunge into a new building program, if the building is going to cost \$90,000.

FRANK DAVIS,
Chairman of School Board.

DEFENSE BOND QUIZ

Q. Can my children buy Defense Saving Stamps?

A. Yes. Hundreds of thousands of American children are buying Stamps regularly as their share in the national savings program.

Q. Why should children be encouraged to buy Savings Stamps?

A. Because by buying Stamps they write their names on a Roll of Honor of Americans who are doing their part to show the dictators that united America will never flinch to preserve her sacred liberty.

Q. After my child has collected enough Stamps to exchange for a Bond, can the Bond Be registered in the child's name?

A. Yes. A minor may own a Defense Savings Bond. Many parents are registering Bonds in their children's names to prepare for future educational needs.

SEEN IN A DAZE



By Our KEYHOLE REPORTER

FRED TAYLOR directing anglers to an easily accessible (?) fishing stream.

DR. POSTON being an unhappy fugitive from the kitchen sink during temporary bachelorhood.

Lion Hunter STEVE ZARKA becoming a menace to Siskiyou bobcats.



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