

The Editor Speaking

With Ginger Rogers as a member of the Jackson County Sheriff's Posse—who would want to be a fugitive from justice.

While local school authorities are having their headaches over increased enrollment and crowded conditions, there is always that comfortless "It could be worse." For instance at Hermiston where the ordinance depot is being built, the enrollment has jumped from 487 to 1101.

Labor leaders shouldn't complain about slowness and inefficiency of democracy. Here the government has been chasing Bridges for years while in the efficient Quisling government of Norway two labor leaders were taken before a firing squad as soon as strikes threatened.

THIS AND THAT

(By OLD TIMER)

An investment in a chamber of commerce membership presents an opportunity to every business and professional citizen to accept a responsibility in community building. Ashland needs more payrolls and with national defense production apparently not nearly at its peak now is the time to put forth every possible effort to secure at least one new industry. The first step in that plan is to definitely support the chamber of commerce which can function as the designated head or unit for the community.

Ex-President Herbert Hoover was not the first person to use the expression, "a chicken in every pot." Henry IV, king of France and Navarre, said that he would not be satisfied until every family in France could have a chicken in the pot at least once a week.

If horse-drawn vehicles stage a comeback it is likely many Ashland motorists will prefer the chariot to the buggy, having become accustomed to going around the corners on two wheels.

Major wars of the United States have always begun in April. The Revolutionary war, April 19, 1775; Mexico, April 24, 1846; Civil war, April 15, 1861; Spanish-American April 21, 1898, and World war, April 8, 1917.

Women who face a shortage of silk hosiery are confident that Sherman was guilty of understatement in his famous three-word description of war.

Court Proceedings

The following traffic violators have appeared in the justice court this past week:

Charles R. Lemmon was fined \$3 and costs when found guilty of operating with an over-width truck load.

Harry Edward Buckmaster paid \$5 and costs for failing to stop after a collision.

Jannie Lorraine McCoy, guilty of driving with improper lights, was assessed court costs only.

Waldo R. Bennett was fined \$2.50 and costs for driving without a muffler.

OUR HONOR ROLL

New subscribers to the Southern Oregon Miner:
Edna M. Benson, Carmel, Calif.
Mrs. Lulu Smith, National City, Calif.

H. W. Helm, Ashland.
J. F. Engel, Ashland.
George W. Nicholls Jr., Ashland.
W. E. Pierson, Ashland.
Mrs. E. L. McCracken, Ashland.
Eunice Hager, Ashland.

Renewals
Charles Rugg, Ashland.
Clay Davis, Ashland.
Masonic Lodge, Ashland.
Taylor R. Williams, Ashland.
Mrs. Frank Reed, Talent.
Mrs. J. F. Meikle, San Francisco.

MUSIC OFFICERS MEET

The new officers of the Ashland Music club met at the home of Mrs. H. H. Elhart Friday evening to discuss the program plans for the coming year. Officers serving this year are Mrs. H. H. Elhart, president; Mrs. Will Dodge, vice president; Mrs. Hugo Reinbold, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. E. A. Woods, director. The first meeting will be held Sept. 20.

GARY NEWTON

and Companion
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To See Their Choice of the Following

Varsity Theater Programs:

(Friday and Saturday)

"THE SEA HAWK"

and

"RIDE ON VACQUERO"

(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)

"LOVE CRAZY"

Please Call at The Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

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NEW C-C DUES RATE ACCEPTED

Effective Oct. 1, Ashland's chamber of commerce will put into effect its new dues rate of multiple memberships within individual business concerns.

This plan was approved and ratified by the board of directors in session this week, reducing considerably the possibility that the chamber's activities would be reduced to minor projects.

Under the new system, assessments will be made in line with the returns from a membership canvass earlier this month. Both additional memberships and sustaining contributions will be made available to enlarge the chamber program.

In order to equalize future collections, chamber officials indicated that those memberships which now are paid up in advance, would be billed for additional amounts as pledged in the canvass.

Meanwhile, the chamber is requesting that those cards which have not been returned, be brot to the offices as soon as possible in order that revision of the book-keeping system can be speeded.

Friday noon, Sept. 26, was announced as the date for resumption of chamber forums. Dr. Walter Redford, chairman of the forums committee, reported that a well rounded opening program is being prepared and full details would be announced as soon as arrangements had been completed.

SOCE FALL TERM STARTS SEPT. 22

A full and complete program of activities has been planned for Freshman week at the Southern Oregon College of Education this fall. This program will begin on Monday, Sept. 22, with registration of all new students. In the evening on Monday a picnic will be held in honor of all new students, sponsored by the faculty and upperclassmen.

Entrance examinations for all freshmen students will be taken on Tuesday and Wednesday. The Associated Men Students and the Associated Women Students will organize on Tuesday, and these groups will have get-togethers that evening. The men will have a steak feed at the barbecue pit on the campus, and the women will have a picnic at the park.

Upperclassmen will register on Wednesday, although it is expected that many of them will register Monday and Tuesday. An all-school skating party, sponsored by the Associated Students, will be the feature of Wednesday evening.

Regular classes will begin on Thursday, but this does not end the Freshman week activities. Thursday evening the Associated Women Students and the Associated Men Students will sponsor a theater party for the student body.

Freshman week will be climaxed by a student body gym party in the college gymnasium Friday evening. The entire athletic facilities of the college will be at the disposal of the students.

Bureau Warns Public Against Land Sharks

"Write the bureau before you buy" any land in a federal reclamation project and particularly in the huge Columbia basin project to be watered from the Grand Coulee dam.

This advice from the bureau of reclamation is being broadcast far and wide in view of persistent attempts of certain land speculators to unload practically worthless land on investors and home seekers by misrepresenting it as good land soon to be irrigated, says J. C. Moore, representative of the bureau of agricultural economics, stationed at Oregon State college.

A recent specific case cited is that of a young Montana couple who were induced to agree to pay \$500 for land in the Columbia basin project which proved to be so-called Class 6, or poor land for which no irrigation water will ever be provided under present plans. The land is roughly estimated to be worth about \$3 an acre instead of the \$23.50 per acre they agreed to pay.

The bureau of reclamation at Coulee Dam, Wash. is prepared to answer any inquiries promptly and without charge, in regard to land in the Columbia basin project, says Moore. Some land may remain without water for 20 years or more, as the plan is to bring under irrigation only small parcels each year.

Neither the bureau of reclamation nor any other agency of the federal government has land to sell and no one is authorized to represent them in the sale of such land, Moore says.

Don't get caught with your car battery down.

OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

BRED IN THE BONE

THE DEAN OF AMERICAN WRITERS, BOOTH TARKINGTON, SAYS THAT OUT HIS WAY, IN INDIANA, PEOPLE LICKED THE HARD TIMES OF '73 BY THRIFT AND ENDURANCE.



By the same self-discipline, habitual to Americans when needed, the people of the country are meeting the problems of our national emergency.



Heavy Freight Makes Espee Yards A Beehive Of Activity

(By Don Tryer)

A busy, very busy, yard engine puffs in soft cadence with now and then the rapid fire of exhaust as she "stumbles and loses her feet." Couplers bang and crash. Lighted lanterns by night and gloved hands by day wave signals. The increased tempo of national defense is being felt in the Southern Pacific yards here, until even the blindstiffs in the jungle complain they can't sleep. Weary yardmen caress aching feet and long for a few minutes on spot.

Freight traffic is booming thru Ashland now. It is the best in years, perhaps since the SP built the Cascade line and routed thru traffic by way of Klamath Falls. It wasn't so very long ago that one freight train a day out of Ashland was heavy traffic and when an extra would drop in it was something to talk and worry about.

Today, four freights each way every 24 hours are being handled. And not short ones, either. South bound "drags" no longer puff lazily up the Siskiyou with one or two engines. But three and four, great grimy freight haulers, blast the skies with man made thunder, hauling 50 and 60 cars up to Siskiyou.

It is nothing now to see an east bound manifest, north bound

freight to you, with 75 to 100 cars drift down the yards. And not long ago that same train might consist of the "hog," a few cars and the "crummy."

With the increase of traffic has come increased employment and bigger payroll. And denim-clad men with the inevitable switch key and time table are nearly as common a sight as they were 15 years ago.

Three crews keep the Espee freight yards on a 24-hour basis. The roundhouse and carshop crews have been doubled and three shifts of operators are now at the depot, and Siskiyou station, just a whistling post for so many years, now has three operators. Three regular helper crews besides the crews of the road engines are now at Ashland, and Hornbrook can boast of having a boom, as three helpers are stationed there to help north-bound trains over the hill.

Two engines a day leave the yards for Medford and vicinity to work the fruit trains and each night they drag back into the yards here with their string of yellow reefers.

Yes, mister, business is pretty good along the old streak of rust, but the rust is being worn off these days.

Ice Rink Described At Rotary Meeting

The growing popularity of ice skating and descriptive details of the new ice skating rink which is being built in Medford were discussed at the Ashland Rotary club Thursday by Sparky Bourgne, who will be manager of the Medford rink. The opening date will be about Nov. 1 and hockey and other ice sports will be encouraged, according to Bourgne.

The Rotary club voted to get behind the selling campaign for defense bonds and to sponsor speakers on the subject to help create public support.

WSCS MET FRIDAY

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church met in the parsonage garden for a no-host breakfast and meeting. Assisting Mrs. George Bruce with arrangements were Mrs. Will Dodge, Mrs. J. R. McCracken, Mrs. Ralph Billings, Mrs. Walter Herndon, Mrs. James Lennox, Mrs. A. A. Merske and Mrs. Fred Engle. The business meeting was presided over by Mrs. Ralph Billings. Mrs. Sikes led the devotions. The fall missionary study course will be conducted by Mrs. George Mason during the month of October. Mite box offering was held.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Richardson on Sept. 4, a son.

A little care makes mishaps rare.

Dairymen Study Cantonment Supply

A meeting of retail milk distributors of the Rogue valley was held at Medford Wednesday night to study the problems which would arise in supplying the cantonment should it be established. Among those represented was the Sungold Dairy of Ashland, which has just received pasteurization equipment for the plant here. It was stated at the meeting that pasteurization equipment was a necessary qualification for distributors eligible to supply milk to the camp.

TRINITY GUILD HAS ALL-DAY SESSION

Trinity Guild met Thursday of last week at the church in an all-day session. After lunch Mrs. C. I. J. Porter conducted the business meeting. Mrs. S. J. Bailey and Mrs. G. B. Hull reported on the "Bundles for Britain" work of the guild. Mrs. O. G. Crawford and Mrs. Clyde Dunham reported on plans for the coming bazaar. Mrs. John Daugherty outlined plans for this year's work of the guild.

S. S. CHILDREN PARTY

Miss Estella Hays, primary superintendent of the Presbyterian Sunday school, supervised an interesting pre-Christmas party at the church last Saturday afternoon. The children brought gifts and money for two of their missionary projects, one in Alaska and the other in the southern part of our country.

Cyclists Are Warned Against Violations

Upon hearing of several complaints of bicycle riders speeding on downtown sidewalks and of disregard of other regulations, Chief of Police Talent yesterday issued a warning that if these practices continue, the department will have to "crack down." If this becomes necessary, some of the offenders may face the possibility of losing their licenses.

SOCE PILOTS BEST IN STATE

For the second successive time, the highest record in Oregon was credited this week to a Southern Oregon College of Education primary civilian pilot training class in its final ground school examination.

All members of the class of 12 primary student pilots passed their final ground school examination Friday and the examiner, Rupert Herr, inspector of the general inspection division of the civil aeronautics administration, was quoted by the college as saying the class averaged higher than any other he has thus far examined in the state. In the spring quarter the primary ground school class at the college here made the highest record in the state. So far the Ashland college is the only one in the state not having a failure.

The secondary class will be given its final ground school examination today by Dr. Edward Little, ground school supervisor of the civilian pilot training program, civil aeronautics administration.

Both the primary and secondary classes recently completed their flight examinations successfully.

In the face of curtailment in this phase of the program elsewhere, the Southern Oregon College of Education was recently given a quota of 20 primary and 10 secondary civilian pilot training students for the fall term, the work to begin the last of this month.

Many Applicants For Drill Team Openings

Nearly 40 girls have answered Miss June Brasted's call for about 10 vacancies on the Ashland high school's drill team, the turnout of which was called Tuesday.

Only one veteran drum major-ette, Yvonne Christlieb, is on hand for the grid season and two will have to be developed. The drill team will not be enlarged to accommodate the large group for drills during basketball season.

However, Miss Brasted announced that a drill of some kind will be presented for the opening game Sept. 19 with tentative major-ettes probably appointed until regular positions can be filled.

JR. HI FOOTBALL ATTRACTS 36

Three lettermen and 33 new and reserve boys have answered Coach Al Simpson's call for football material at the junior high school. Suits were issued Monday and practice got under way after school Tuesday evening. Simpson plans on two games with Medford and hopes to line up the Grants Pass Cavekids, Central Point Frosh, Jacksonville Frosh and Ted Schopf's Chiloquin reserves. No games have been signed as yet, however.

Dick Kerr, Jay Samuelson and Jamie Moseley are the only returning lettermen. Moseley shows considerable promise of being the sparkplug of the team this season. He is as tough as anyone out and is a fast ball carrier and an accurate passer.

Glenn Williams, a transfer from Stanford junior high school in Sacramento, where he was a star center, has reported to Simpson and will undoubtedly be assigned a tackle berth. Jim and Dick Merriman, transfers from Chiloquin, have had experience under Ted Schopf, former SOCE athlete.

Another transfer expected to be of great aid to the juniors is Clarence Marquess of Medford junior high.

Others reporting for practice are John Speece, Fred Wilson, Claude Garrett, Glen Durham, Don Amat, James Delsman, Ralph Foster, Marvin Williams, Bob (Pus) O'Hara, Charles Cathoun, Bob Frazier, Don Flaharty, Lowell Hall, Fred Stearns, Siegfried Surber, Gordon Peterson, Dommie Provost, Jim Gunter, Victor McElfresh, Leon Hayne, Jerry Kerr, Joe Lambert, Bill Fraser, Elmer Landing, Jim Nott, Blair Crosby, Henry Bussev, Foster Wolfe and Charles Wolfe.

CITY SCHOOLS' ENROLLMENT UP

First day enrollment of the city schools Monday showed a total attendance of 1,017, which is an increase of 14 over that of last year. More are expected to enroll as the peak of the fruit harvest is over.

The high school showed the largest gain in registration with 284 as compared to the 250 of last year, while slight drops were noted in the enrollment figures for the junior high school and the Lincoln school.

Limited housing conditions at Washington school were further complicated by an enrollment of 240, which is 17 above that of last year. Definite plans as to future action regarding the use of the school will not be outlined until after an investigation and report by L. S. Traver, adviser and construction man for the state board of higher education. Under the temporary arrangement, the 63 pupils of the sixth grade are using the cafeteria room. The board has voted to hire a new primary teacher to help care for the larger enrollment.

The board also has authorized replacements and additions to the equipment of the junior high shop which will include a lathe, rip-saw and other badly needed equipment.

Student Tells Lions Of Traffic Patrol

Bob Huffman, young Ashland student, appeared as guest speaker at the Tuesday evening meeting of the Ashland Lions and presented interesting first hand information concerning the workings of a student traffic patrol which the Lions plan to sponsor here.

Young Huffman, who has had three years' experience in patrol work in the St. Paul, Minn. schools where he acted as captain for some time, told of the organization of the student patrol which closely resembles that of a police force with promotions and demerits earned by the members.

The purpose of the patrol is to have traffic supervision at the school crossings when students are going to and from school. Officers of the patrol may stop traffic to permit students to cross, but are warned against making unnecessary use of this authority. Motorists violating these safety measures are reported to proper authorities.

The speaker indicated that aside from their traffic duties, the student officers help in policing the school grounds and keeping order in the hallways.

New members inducted into the Lions club Tuesday night were James G. Mackie, proprietor of the Western Auto Supply store; Wes Allin of the Allin Lumber company, and Henry Metz, proprietor of the Metz store.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION MET AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Women's Association of the Presbyterian church had a fine attendance at the meeting held Thursday of last week at the church. Mrs. Phil Stansbury had charge of the morning meeting. Lunch was served at noon by Mrs. Marcia Ross, Mrs. Virgil Jackson, Mrs. W. D. Jackson, Mrs. Henry Metz and Miss Phyllis Wall. After lunch Mrs. Wade Wallis led the devotional service followed by an interesting program under direction of Mrs. James H. Edgar.

DEATH TAKES PELL BROADY, FORMER ASHLAND RESIDENT

J. C. Broady left for Auburn, Neb. last week where he was called by the death of his brother, Pell Broady.

Pell Broady was an Ashland resident for a short time four years ago when he and his brother, J. C. Broady, opened the Broady Bros. drug store. However, he was associated with the local firm only a short time before he returned to the middle west.

DEFENSE QUIZ BOND

Q. Can Defense Savings Stamps be redeemed?
A. Yes; they can be redeemed for cash at face value or exchanged for Defense Savings Bonds. For example, 75 of the 25-cent Stamps—total cash value \$18.75—may be exchanged for a Defense Savings Bond which in 10 years will be worth \$25.

Q. How long have Defense Savings Stamps been on sale at retail stores?

A. Sale of Stamps at retail stores originated in the State of Michigan on July 10. The idea met with such success that it is spreading rapidly, and soon Stamps will be sold in most retail stores on a Nation wide basis.