

THIS AND THAT  
(By OLD TIMER)  
To the Editor:

Count that day lost whose low descending sun sees launched no drive for donations sprung.

It seems sheer suicide for a Japanese ship to encounter a Dutchman or for the little brown fellows to tackle American doughboys.

Removal of the tower leaves the Washington school building looking like—(Censored).

The front window of your auto is a good place for you to look out for yourself.

A leopard doesn't change his spots, and neither, we regret, does a Christmas tie.

Speed wears out tires we're told. Fools rush on—

What's become of the old-fashioned quilting party?

**DR. MERKEL SPEAKS AT LINCOLN P-TA**

The Lincoln school P-TA met last Friday afternoon at the school house. After several musical numbers by pupils of the school under the direction of Gordon Tripp, Dr. A. E. Merkel, county physician, addressed the group and showed a film. The subject of his address was "Relationship of the Public Health to the School Program." Light refreshments were served by the committee under the leadership of Mrs. Carl Grossman.

**C. M. LITWILLER HEADS FUNERAL DIRECTORS ASSN.**

Clarence M. Litwiler was elected president of the Southern Oregon Funeral Directors' association at the annual meeting held at the Lathia hotel last Thursday night. Executive Secretary George Ryan reported to the group that all members throughout the state had responded to the request of President J. B. Hollingsworth and had registered with the Oregon civil reserves for service in national defense.

**ASHLAND'S 1941 FIRE LOSSES TOTAL ONLY \$1,242.75**

Ashland's fire losses for 1941 were only \$1,242.75 according to figures submitted by Fire Chief Clint Baughman in his annual report to the city council Tuesday night. Of this total, all but \$500, was covered by insurance. The department answered 61 calls throughout the year.

**Court Proceedings**

The following cases came before the justice court of M. T. Burns during the past week:

Clifford Earl McGilvray was fined \$2.50 and costs for violation of the basic rule.

Marshal Woodell received a fine of \$25, and costs for fishing without a license; however when it was ascertained that Woodell had made every effort possible to secure a license and failed only because the license issuing agent was out of licenses, the fine was remitted.

Robert Pederson paid \$5.50 and costs for failing to stop at an intersection.

Robert I. Gale was fined \$1, and costs for driving on the wrong side of the highway.

**ASSOCIATED WOMEN STUDES HOLD SPECIAL MEETING**

The Associated Women Students in a special meeting Friday, Jan. 16, nominated the following women for AWS treasurer for the coming year: Iah Farrow of Bayfield, Colo.; Lavilla Gosson of Klondike, and Olive Davis of Ashland.

Two committees also were chosen. Members of the social committee are Wiletha Hutchinson of Days Creek; Ella Watson of Ashland; Rosemary Dolan of Grants Pass; Doreen DeLisle of Ashland; Marjorie Newton of Ashland; Margarette Barnhouse of Ashland; Vera Segsworth of Ashland, and Esther Carter of Elwood, Neb. The following women comprise the dance committee: Gloria Raniele of Langlois; Bernice McMartin of Red Bluff, Calif.; Gwendolyn Schriefer of Marshfield; Frances Brobert of Bend, and Evelyn Wirostek of Marshfield.

**LIMEY WILLIAMSON and Companion**

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- (Friday and Saturday) "ROAD SHOW"
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**COUNCIL CONS CAMP PROJECTS**

Considerable discussion and study of local problems resulting from the cantonment construction was given by the city councilmen at their Tuesday evening meeting. Annual reports also were heard from Mayor T. S. Wiley, Fire Chief Clint Baughman and Police Chief C. P. Talent.

All city department heads, appointive employes and council committees were reappointed by Mayor Wiley to serve for the six-month period ending the first of July. The ordinance permitting a 10 percent salary increase to city employes, which was previously arranged for in the budget, also was approved.

Speaking of projects connected with cantonment construction, City Supt. Elmer Biegel told the council that federal aid planned for these projects on a peace time basis would be deeply cut. Only the most necessary projects will be considered and even they may suffer cuts, said Biegel. The request for an auxiliary city reservoir was mentioned as one of the more favored projects.

Some discussion also was given over to the licensing of businesses and activities in the city, particularly those stimulated by the camp construction, such as trailer camps.

**Businessmen Study Defense Contracts**

Latest and detailed information on defense contracts will be available to Ashland manufacturers this noon in a special panel meeting at the Hotel Medford.

Called by the chambers of commerce in Ashland, Medford and Grants Pass, the session will bring representatives of the contract distribution service of the Office of Production Management, the Oregon Economic Council, the federal employment offices as well as other agencies.

Purpose of the meeting is to provide all available information on sub-contracting and farming of defense contracts, expanded as a result of renewed war efforts.

Ashland businessmen planning to attend are asked to call the chamber offices so that reservations may be made.

**BOND CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED HERE**

Plans for Ashland's participation in the state-wide defense savings bond campaign which is being conducted this week were completed at a breakfast meeting Tuesday morning.

This drive offers an opportunity for everyone to sign, voluntarily, a pledge to purchase regularly United States defense bonds and stamps. Those signing the cards will themselves set the amount they wish to subscribe for bonds, and may make what changes are necessary in their purchase programs later.

Oregon is the first state in the union to launch the national pledge campaign and it is expected that plans for the nation-wide drive beginning Feb. 10 will be based upon what is accomplished in this state.

Palmer Hoyt, state chairman of the defense savings bond staff stated that "Oregon has always led the nation in patriotism and this will be another opportunity to demonstrate our leadership."

Theo J. Norby is chairman for the Ashland drive and is assisted by sub-chairmen Dr. A. S. Taylor, Don Hinthorne, J. H. Harker, Earl Rogers, Fred Taylor, Henry Galey, Dr. W. J. Crandall, Clyde Caton, Dr. Harvey Woods and I. C. Erwin.

**Chief Names Civilian Defense Police**

Personnel of the civilian defense volunteer police who will patrol the business district during blackouts and emergencies was named by Chief of Police Talent early this week.

The business district has been divided into six districts with two members of the special police on duty in each district.

The 12 men named were Sid Reed, Ed Pathman, Bill Allen, Kenneth Thompson, Roy Parr Sr., Norman Kerr Jr., Jean Hastings, John Daugherty, Millard Grubb, W. D. Jackson, Elliott MacCracken and Pete Nutter.

**WOMEN'S CLASS MEETS**

The Loyal Women's class of the Church of Christ enjoyed a party at the church parlors Thursday afternoon of last week. The event was a culmination of a recent contest in which the winning side was honored. Guests included Mesdames C. O. Holman, Agnes Woodhouse, Mary Hale, Anna Crowson, Jennie Bullock, Sarah Haskins, Coffin, Sias, Hattie Smith, Hollingsworth, Rightmeier and Jorgensen.

**FOR VICTORY**



Talbot cartoon courtesy of Washington News.

**INDIANS CLASH WITH GRIZZLIES TOMORROW NITE**

The Roseburg Indians, fighting desperately to stay in the running in the district four basketball league, will clash with the league-leading Ashland Grizzlies on the junior high floor tomorrow night, Saturday. A preliminary game, scheduled to begin about 7:30 p.m. will be followed by the main tilt. Roseburg, who faces Medford tonight in the first of their two-game southern Oregon jaunt, not only will be struggling to remain a threat to the state tournament trip but will be trying to erase the humiliating 43 to 19 defeat they suffered at the hands of the Grizzlies on their own court last week.

Medford tackles Grants Pass on the Tiger's floor tomorrow night in another league game.

Grants Pass nearly upset the apple-cart as far as the Grizzlies' unblemished league record was concerned when they were beaten 34 to 30 at Grants Pass Tuesday night. Ashland had things pretty much their own way during the first quarter, but the Cavemen made a game out of it in the second period and were trailing 16 to 14 at halftime. In the closing minutes of the fourth quarter Grants Pass went ahead 30 to 27, but with a minute and a half to go Ashland staged a seven-point rally which saved the game.

**Two Defense Classes Offer Trade Training**

Supt. Theo. J. Norby announced this week that two new defense training classes are to be offered under the sponsorship of the Ashland schools and the state department of vocational education.

The training will be in carpentry and electricity. The carpentry class will be a three-weeks course open to anyone over 17 years of age, but the age limits for the electrical course have been set at 17 to 24. No definite starting date has been set for the carpentry class; however the eight-weeks electrical course will get underway at the junior highschool Monday evening.

Those interested in these classes are asked to contact Supt. Norby, telephone #301.

**No Official Camp News to Be Released**

A letter received this week from Capt. Theron W. Bean of the Medford office of the War Department Corps of Engineers indicates that there will be no more official news reports released from that office in regard to the construction of the cantonment.

Capt. Bean writes as follows: "In accordance with the present requirements of the Adjutant General's office there will be no further release to the public, or the press, of any information pertaining to the work of this office."

I. R. Flaherty, Earl Leever and Herb Moore are now employed at the cantonment office in Medford.

**Telephone Co. to Issue Defense Bonds**

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company is being empowered by the Federal Reserve bank of San Francisco to act as an issuing agent for United States defense bonds being purchased by its employees under the payroll allotment plan, according to word received by H. S. Atkins, manager here.

In an official announcement, N. R. Powley, president of the company, stated: "Our resources, facilities and personnel are all directed toward our company playing its full, effective and patriotic part in this great national emergency. We count it not only a real privilege, but also an honor to be of service to our government as its issuing agent for the defense savings bonds."

**Oregon Girl Heads Paralysis Campaign**

Oregon holds the spotlight in this year's annual campaign for funds to fight infantile paralysis, now under way until Jan. 30, date of President Roosevelt's 60th birthday anniversary—in the person of Oregon's own Nancy Merki—No. 1 woman swimmer in the United States and world's record holder.

Nancy Merki herself was an infantile paralysis sufferer and it was because of the disease that she started swimming. As a result she not only fully cured herself but has become one of the greatest women swimmers of all time.

Miss Merki's story of her struggle against the disease and how she conquered it is being told by newspapers throughout the country to call attention to the infantile paralysis campaign and as a message of encouragement to all infantile paralysis sufferers.

**Traffic Death Rate Lower in Past Year**

Oregon completed the first 11 months of 1941 with a traffic death rate slightly under the rate for the comparative period of 1940, figures compiled at the office of the traffic safety division of the state department disclosed today.

The death rate for the 11-month period was 11.1 compared to 11.7 a year ago. The death toll for November was 31 percent under the number for November of 1940. There were 10.8 persons killed per one hundred million miles of travel this November, compared to a rate of 17.8 a year ago.

The death rate indicates the number of traffic fatalities in relation to the exposure to accident. Thus, while there were more fatalities in 1941 than in 1940, the exposure to accident, as expressed in motor vehicle use, was so much greater that the rate was lower than for the previous year.

Mileage traveled in Oregon during the first 11 months of the year 1941, as shown by gasoline consumption figures, amounted to 3,143,374.806 miles which is an increase of 13 percent over the mileage for the same period in 1940.

**Dairymen Study Cantonment Problem**

Rogue River valley milk producers and distributors met at the courthouse in Medford Wednesday evening to consider problems arising from the establishment of the army cantonment.

A report was made by a planning committee of the dairy industry which has been making a survey of available sources of approved milk and a study of supply and distribution problems confronting the dairy industry. This committee was composed of Robert G. Fowler, county agent for Jackson county; Paul Carpenter, farm economist of the US extension service and Oregon State college, and Frank A. Rowe, representative of the Oregon milk control board.

Milk distributors plan to meet with a member of the Milk Control board at the county agent's office Saturday morning for further study of distributing problems.

**ANNUAL POLICE REPORT GIVEN**

The record of the police department for 100 percent convictions of all cases filed in court was maintained throughout 1941, according to the department's annual report submitted to the city council this week by Chief of Police C. P. Talent.

The number of arrests and convictions during the year totaled 155. Chief Talent pointed out that there were fewer felony cases than ever before while there was some increase in the number of traffic violations. Forty-four of the 99 traffic cases were for parking violations, each of which forfeited \$1 with no court costs.

The 62 traffic accidents reported within the city limits brought injury to five, but resulted in no fatalities.

During the year the department recovered three stolen cars, one of which was stolen in Ashland. The value of these cars was reported as \$1,780. In addition to this, other merchandise and cash lost by theft and fraud was recovered totaling \$1,135.

Total revenue for the year, reported at \$2,584.30, was made up by the following items: Fines and forfeitures by city judge, \$1,320; temporary auto stickers sold, \$516.75; bicycle and operators' licenses, \$76.05, and licenses for pool halls, bill posting, liquor permits and dogs, \$671.50.

Police car mileage for the year totaled 34,805 miles and in addition to this the police motorcycle traveled 9,600 miles.

**Jr-Hi Midgets Scrap With Papposes Tonight**

Coach Al Simpson's junior high basketball team will meet the Roseburg Papposes on the local court tonight in a southern Oregon junior high conference game with the preliminary tilt between the Ashland eighth graders and the Medford eighth graders beginning at 7:30.

Simpson says his club is in good shape and ready for a tough game. The probable starters for the main clash will be Kerr, Samuelson, Garrett, Wilson and Coulter.

**Sons Lengthen Lead in OI Conference**

The SOCE basketball team added four more games to their leadership of the Oregon intercollegiate conference when they won over Oregon College of Education at Monmouth Friday and Saturday nights by scores of 58 to 28 and 52 to 40 and went on to Portland to upset Don Faber's Albany College quintet with scores of 67 to 44 and 67 to 31.

The Sons, way out in front in the league race, next meet OCE on the local college court Jan. 30 and 31. Following this clash, Jean Eberhart will take his club to Mt. Angel on Feb. 6 and 7 for a pair of league games and then travel to LaGrande for games with Eastern Oregon Feb. 9 and 10, which will wind up the OIC play.

**Changes Reported in Tire Rationing**

The local tire rationing board has just received information of amendments to the tire rationing regulations.

Among the changes made was a request that there should be no sales of tires or tubes without certificates on any preference rating issued by the priority division including preference ratings assigned by PD-3 certificate or any other Priority Division certificate. All persons holding these ratings must apply to the local boards and will no longer receive preferred treatment.

**BIRTHDAY BALL SET FOR JAN. 31**

The annual President's Birthday Ball will be held at the Elk's Temple Saturday night, January 31, with music furnished by Steve Whipple's orchestra.

As in the past, the proceeds from this ball will aid in the nation wide fight to stamp out infantile paralysis. Fifty per cent of the money is to be kept for local use in Jackson county and the remainder sent to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Alice Patterson, chairman of ticket sales, plans a canvass of the business district which will get underway at a breakfast meeting at the Plaza cafe Tuesday morning. Tickets will sell for \$1.10 per couple and through the cooperation of the Ashland theatres, these tickets will be good either for the dance or for admission to the 9 o'clock shows that night.

The importance of controlling infantile paralysis has been emphasized this year as a matter of national defense. The national committee chairman for the celebration recently pointed out that "We must keep infantile paralysis out of our army camps and away from our armed forces. We have got to protect the health of our children. The health of our young people and our workers in the national defense industries must be built up to the highest possible degree."

In addition to the ball, coin boxes have been conveniently located in business houses to receive contributions. J. E. Leigh, manager of the Ashland Skating Rink, has also cooperated in the campaign by offering a portion of the proceeds from next Thursday night's skating session.

Arrangements for the ball are being made by Dean Pieper who is acting for Ashland Chairman Vern Smith.

**WOMEN PLAN MOBILIZATION**

Women of Jackson county will complete arrangements for "all-out" participation in the program intended to make Oregon the first state in the Union to inaugurate a house-to-house canvass of "manpower," to be available for employment in office, factory and field when—and if—an acute labor shortage develops as the result of men being drawn into heavy defense industries and military services.

A county-wide mass meeting of all women's organizations, clubs, auxiliaries and other groups will be held in the courthouse auditorium at 2 o'clock Jan. 28. Mrs. Sadie Orr Dunbar, state director of the Oregon board for mobilization of women and honorary president of the General Federation of Women's clubs, will preside.

Mrs. Leonard Carpenter, appointed by Governor Charles A. Sprague to the state sponsoring committee and, more recently, named chairman of the Jackson county organization, will participate in the effort to secure the full cooperation of women's groups in the door-to-door interviewing, scheduled to begin Feb. 16, of all women above the high school level. All women will be registered, including those of other nationalities.

In general, women will not be called until all available Oregon manpower has been utilized to its fullest extent.

Women listed in employment offices as now seeking work and women displaced by priorities unemployment will be among the first called. Experience, skills, domestic status, personal responsibilities and many other factors will be considered when calling women into active duty.

**Tax Auditor to Aid in Filing Returns**

The state tax commission has announced that a state income tax auditor will be at the Ashland city hall from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Feb. 26, to assist taxpayers in filing their returns. There will be no charge for this service.

Those who must file include: single individuals having a net income of \$800 or more, or having surtax net income of \$500 or more during the taxable year; married couples having combined net income of \$1,500 or more, or combined surtax net income of \$800 or more during the taxable year, and all individuals or married couples with a gross income of \$4,000 or more.

Returns must be filed on or before April 1, 1942.

- Mrs. Elsie Liggett of Clear Lake, Ia. is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Spindler.
- Miss Irene Wehrli and Mrs. Maude Renton went to Medford Wednesday.
- Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Howerton Jan. 15, a daughter.