

As publishers of the Southern Oregon Miner for the past year it is with considerable regret that we now find it necessary to bid farewell to our Ashland friends and readers—at least for the duration. However this regret is lessened by the pleasure we take in introducing to you the new management whose proven abilities assure the Miner's future as a constantly improving publication.

The members of the new management are O. G. Crawford, well-known Ashland resident who hardly needs an introduction, and Fred Miltenberger of Portland.

Mr. Crawford has been associated with the Miner for several years and has previously had editorial experience on both weekly and daily publications. Mr. Miltenberger is a veteran pressman whose many years of experience have really taught him "the tricks of the trade" which will make it a cinch for him to continue the high standard of workmanship in the job-department of the Miner Press.

We are glad to be able to turn the management of the Miner over to these capable men and are certain that they will cooperate with you in every way for a "bigger and better Ashland."

Chas. M. Giffen
William Savin

In taking over the management of the Southern Oregon Miner the undersigned wish to assure patrons of the business that they will be accorded the same courteous treatment and given the high type of service characteristic of this newspaper and printing establishment. It shall be our purpose to make improvements wherever possible and make the Miner an instrument of service to Ashland and surrounding communities.

It was through force of circumstances that we were able to acquire the business at this time, but it was a matter of choice in selecting Ashland for a home. There are several contributing factors to this choice—climate and other physical forces for one—and the other has to do with the type of people that make up this splendid community. For no matter what the other advantages might be, if the people are not friendly and appreciative of their surroundings, happiness and contentment cannot prevail.

We invite the people of the community to avail themselves of the services offered by the Miner and extend a cordial invitation to all to visit the plant and make the acquaintance of the publishers.

In closing, the writer wishes to offer a word of appreciation for the privilege of knowing and working with Messrs. Giffen and Savin during their stay here. While their residence was brief, they made a place for themselves in the community. Mr. Savin has gone to do his bit for his country—just another of the many traits which won him a host of friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Giffen have not definitely decided on a move, but wherever it is they will carry with them the best wishes of their many friends.

Fred Miltenberger
O. G. Crawford

One Move Better Than Fire Thinks Ashland Printer

Three moves is considered equal to a fire when it comes to damaging and destroying household goods. At least that long has been the calculation of folks who have made that many moves.

Now comes John Laughlin, veteran Ashland printer who contends that (maybe) one print shop move is better than a fire when it comes to getting things cleaned up. Laughlin has been busy this week moving his printery from the old location in the path of the Plaza improvement to a room across the street. As each piece of equipment is lifted from its moorings it receives a dusting off or wiping as the case may demand. Then it is toted to the new location all spic and span.

There is an article worrying John no small amount. When a printer holds a moving bee the towel is one of the last things to go. Everything else is moved without crating but the towel demands most delicate handling—if moved from its accustomed position it is apt to break. A word of advice in handling this delicate situation will be appreciated by John and all his fellow craftsmen.

JANITORS CANCEL ANNUAL THREE-DAY CONFERENCE

Southern Oregon school janitors in a recent vote cancelled their annual three-day conference usually held in June. The move was taken as a war emergency precaution as it was felt that attendance at such convention would leave school buildings of the area unattended too long.

Regular monthly meetings will be held, with the next one at 2 p. m., March 14 at Lincoln school, Ashland.

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15TH CLASS B TOURNAMENT NEARING CLOSE

ROSENBAUM TO QUIT RAILROAD

Albert S. Rosenbaum, district agent of the Southern Pacific company for many years, today announced his retirement after 54 years of railroad service. He will step out under the provisions of the retirement act early in April. He said he had no definite plans excepting to recover as quickly as possible from injuries he received in an accident six weeks ago.

Speaking of Rosenbaum's service the Mail Tribune said: "Rosey, as Mr. Rosenbaum is known up and down the coast, has become practically synonymous with Southern Pacific. As a matter of fact, so well known and so thoroughly liked has he been, that more often than not the company is referred to as 'Rosey's railroad.' Whenever anyone wanted to know anything about the railroad, the first thought was 'let's call Rosey.'"

Rosenbaum was agent for the company in Medford from 1907 to 1916. He was a claim agent at Portland from 1916 to 1932 when he became district agent at Medford and so served until 1926. He was made general agent for the Medford and Klamath Falls district, 1926-1929, and has been district agent for the Medford district since 1929.

Ashland Leaders Thank Registrars

Registrars for the recent mobilization of women in the Ashland area did a thorough job, according to Mrs. Earl Leever, district chairman and Mrs. C. A. Haines, Ashland chairman. Not only was the coverage complete, but the manner in which the blanks were written up drew a compliment from Mrs. Leonard Carpenter, county chairman.

Mrs. Leever and Mrs. Haines have expressed a desire to thank the registrars for their splendid work and for the kindness and cooperation shown by women who registered, many of whom called and made appointments for registration, not wanting to be missed. It is noted that one lady of 92 called and stated that she is an American citizen and felt there was something she could do.

"Mobilization has had nationwide comment and Oregon women have more than shown the nation that they are entirely alert to the gravity of our situation and stand ready to help in anything they are called upon to do," Mrs. Haines said.

Soda Springs and Pinehurst districts signed 100 percent, according to final tabulations.

Included in the list of women working under Mrs. Leever and Mrs. Haines were the following:

Sub-chairmen: Mrs. Marguerite Bishop, Mrs. Isabel Lennox, Mrs. A. R. Kincaid, Mrs. Mary Hash, Mrs. Russell Miller, Mrs. Hazel Gertson, Mrs. William Briggs, Mrs. Will Dodge, Mrs. Hal McNair, Mrs. Fred Schere, Mrs. Arthur Peters, Mrs. Vern Hastings, Mrs. Al Snyder, Mrs. Frank Van Dyke, Mrs. R. I. Flaharty.

Workers: Mrs. W. D. Jackson, Mrs. J. G. Anderson, Mrs. Elmer Biegel, Mrs. John Broady, Mrs. Minnie Davis, Mrs. Fred Cushing, Mrs. Harry Carlton, Mrs. Earl Rogers, Mrs. Konop, Mrs. Cathie Chamberlain, Mrs. W. H. Parker, Mrs. F. F. Whittle, Miss Virginia Whittle, Mrs. Torb Sanford, Mrs. Thad Coleman, Mrs. R. E. Detrick, Mrs. Rude, Mrs. Riebel, Mrs. Harry Harrison, Mrs. Geo. Spencer, Mrs. Ted Norby, Miss Lydia Art Hasdins, Mrs. Roy Salo, Mrs. McCall, Mrs. Emil Kroeger, Mrs. J. A. Rhodes, Mrs. Micky Morgan, Mrs. Bruce Wallace, Mrs. Ed Doyle, Mrs. Horace Badger, Mrs. G. A. Briscoe, Mrs. Clyde Caton, Mrs. Alta Payne, Mrs. Joe King, Mrs. C. M. Litwiller, Mrs. Oren McCoy, Mrs. Ralph Koozer, Mrs. T. Tucker, Mrs. Chas. Hast, Mrs. Merrick Thornton, Mrs. J. Q. Adams, Mrs. Thornton Wiley, Mrs. Henry Metz, Mrs. John Wilkinson, Mrs. Mildred Eddy, Mrs. Eldon Corthell, Mrs. Paul Finnell, Mrs. M. E. Miller, Mrs. Jobbins, Mrs. Nella Rice, Mrs. Wm. Hess, Miss Virginia Hales, Mrs. B. C. Forsythe, Mrs. John Daugherty, Mrs. Roy Frazier, Mrs. Lowell Ager, Mrs. Ned Mars, Mrs. C. C. Dunham, Mrs. A. C. Nininger.

A total of 2014 women registered in the Ashland district.

LEAVES FOR NEBRASKA

William Savin, for the past 14 months co-publisher and editor of the Southern Oregon Miner, left Thursday night for his former home at Cozad, Neb. After a short visit with his parents there he will present himself for induction into one of the branches of the service.

OUR DEMOCRACY

by Mat

BORN SOLDIER

GENERAL GEORGE CATLETT MARSHALL
CHIEF OF STAFF OF
ALL U.S. ARMY FORCES
'LIVES AND BREATHES'
HIS PROFESSION.



GRADUATE OF V.M.I. AND RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE LEADING OFFICERS OF THE A.E.F. IN 1918, HE MOVED 500,000 MEN AND EQUIPMENT FROM ST. MIHIEL TO THE ARGONNE UNDER THE NOSE OF THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND—WITHOUT THEIR KNOWLEDGE—AND FLUNG HIS TROOPS INTO THE DRIVE WHICH BROKE THE BACK OF THE GERMAN OFFENSIVE.

ONE OF THE MILITARY GENIUSES OF AMERICA.
HISTORY FACING AMERICA'S GREATEST TASK—
THE DEFENSE OF OUR DEMOCRACY.

SIMPSON NEW GRIZZLY COACH

Al Simpson, for three years athletic coach at junior high school, has been selected to replace Frank O'Neil as football coach at Ashland high school. O'Neil has been given a leave of absence for the duration of the war. He reports in Portland later this month for duty in the navy's physical education department.

Simpson, a graduate of Eureka high school, SOCE and the University of Oregon, also will assist Jerry Gastineau as an aide in baseball coaching. Simpson has had considerable experience as a baseball player. He will be employed as an instructor at the high school.

Simpson's successor has not been named as yet.

McNAIRS IMPROVE FRONT

Keeping step with improvements already under way and contemplated along the new Plaza, McNair Bros. drug store is undergoing alterations this week. Inside windows formerly enclosing their store front have been removed, permitting better vision of the store from the street. The new arrangement likewise permits of better handling of displays in the windows.

Mrs. G. H. Hedberg has returned to her home in Ashland after an absence of several weeks spent with relatives and friends in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Young, who visited several days at the G. R. Claycomb home, returned to their home at Burns Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Bruce had as their house guest over the week-end Ernest Peterson, religious editor of the Portland Journal.

FRED SCHUERMAN 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)
"TANKS A MILLION"
(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)
"HONKY TONK"

Please Call at The Miner Office for Your Guest Tickets

Death Takes Aged Ashland Resident

William Alphonse Freeberg, 92, for 41 years a resident of Ashland, passed away Thursday at his residence. He was born in St. Louis, Mo., March 15, 1850, the son of Phillip W. and Virginia Kinsell Freeberg. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Carl J. Green of Ashland and Mrs. Fred Hazelblade of Aberdeen, Wash., two granddaughters, Mrs. Vhada Whorton, Wendover, Utah, and Mrs. Thada Hamilton, Burlingame, Calif.

Mr. Freeberg came to Ashland in 1901 where he built a home, a business block and established a jewelry business, from which he retired more than 20 years ago. He was a member of the Masons and had received a 50-year veteran's jewel. Much of his later life was spent in travel and following his hobby of oil paintings.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Saturday from the J. P. Dodge and Sons Funeral chapel, with the Masonic lodge in charge and Rev. J. H. Edgar officiating. Interment will be in Mountain View cemetery.

BOOTLEG TIRE TRADE ENJOYS SHORT SHIFT

Travelers from California have reported in Ashland that tire bootlegging was getting underway in that and other states bordering Mexico until the United States government put a stop to it. It was stated that the practice had progressed as far north as San Francisco when the ban came.

One Ashland visitor was authority for the statement that a buyer could cross the border and get good quality tires at a saving of \$4 compared with the price on this side—when tires could be bought.

LARZ ALFREY ELIASON

Larz Alfrey Eliason, 55 passed away at his home, 332 Hargadine street, Thursday evening. Death followed an illness of several months. A farmer by trade, he had spent the major part of his life in Ashland and vicinity. Survivors include a brother, C. Ross Eliason of Canada, and two sisters Mrs. George Kramer of Ashland and Mrs. Bertha Rickle. The deceased was a native of Chicoma, Pa., where he was born June 30 1886. Funeral services will be in charge of J. P. Dodge and Sons.

Mrs. Earl Leever and son Richard left for Seattle Wednesday morning where Richard will receive expert medical attention for a serious eye condition. They expect to be gone for several weeks.

Plans to train 404 pilots, 120 service mechanics and 20 aeronautical engineers from other American republics have been announced.

Jacksonville in Favorable Spot for Championship Tilt

Ashland has been basketball conscious in a big way this week, with the 15th annual Southern Oregon College of Education invitational tournament in progress since Wednesday. Sixteen schools are represented in the class B competition and the struggle for place in the standings has been the inspiration for numerous torrid battles.

One Jackson county team remained in the contest for championship honors

WANTED—A MAN!
Women are playing an important role in national defense, doing numerous jobs usually handled by men and accepting their responsibility cheerfully. Rosters of local aircraft observation posts carry names of many women who carry on during the daytime so their men folk may go about the business of earning a living.

It is just and fair if the women want to serve in this capacity in the day time, or if they willingly choose a night shift—that is up to them—but it is hardly fair to call them out in the middle of the night or the wee sma' hours to take a shift that someone of the opposite sex has found inconvenient to fill.

It was not known that such things were happening until on a recent morning when a mere male arrived at the observation post to do his bit. He was genuinely surprised to find a woman ready to relinquish the job after sitting out a lonely vigil from 2 to 4 a. m. She was a timid woman—timid but brave and loyal—but why should she have to be called out at that time of night? Can it be that we men are growing soft?

GOES TO WASHINGTON

Ruth Dunham Gillmore, former Ashland resident, left Baker the past week for Washington, D. C. to accept a position with one of the federal agencies. Mrs. Gillmore took an examination for the position less than a month ago and received a rating of junior stenographer. During her residence in Baker she was employed with a wholesale grocery concern. She is a sister of Dr. C. C. Dunham of Ashland and received her education in the schools of this city.

Mex Heavyweight To Meet Corbett

Vincent Lopez, colorful Mexican heavyweight wrestler and former heavyweight champion of the world, will make his first southern Oregon appearance Monday night when he faces Joe Corbett, huge Bostonian, in the top main event at Medford armory. The match will be for one hour straight wrestling time or the best two out of three falls.

Pete Belcastro, the wild Weed Italian, continues his campaign among the heavies when he takes on Andre Adoree in the middle match, for six 10 minute rounds. Adoree is the flashy French-Canadian who wrestled his way into the hearts of Medford fans last Monday.

Jim Casey will make his first Medford showing in the opener when he meets Chief Thunderbird in a four round bout. This match will begin at 8:30.

Girls' League Pep Dinner Lively Affair

Ashland high school's basketball season officially closed Friday evening when the Grizzlies failed to make much of an impression on the Medford Tigers, but the finishing touch was put on by the Girls' League Tuesday evening when they played host to coaches and team members of the faculty, school board and others at the annual pep dinner in the school auditorium.

Toasts in verse sparkling with wit were prepared and read by girls of the group leaving more than one of the basketball players redfaced. Songs by the girls' sextet and orchestra numbers by a hillbilly band provided additional entertainment, as well as a reading by a Girls' league member and short talks by Coaches O'Neil and Gastineau, Bert Miller, Supt. T. J. Norby and Principal B. C. Forsythe.

Coach Gastineau presented Jim Rath, varsity center with the trophy annually awarded to the player considered the most valuable in recovering the ball from the backboard.

In the interest of national defense, the army will use one type of standard gasoline instead of the four varieties formerly used.

Friday. Pat Patterson's Jacksonville high school stalwarts have held their pace throughout the tournament and doubtless will have to be reckoned with in the finals. Talent was in fourth place and was scheduled to meet the winner of the St. Mary's-Central Point game at 4 p. m. Saturday to determine who will hold that spot.

Gardiner from Douglas county and Bonanza and Chiloquin of Klamath county were still to be reckoned with.

Jacksonville, being in the weaker bracket, is favored to reach the finals, probably against Bonanza Saturday night. Chiloquin, however, is going strong but, according to regular season records, should close out to Bonanza tonight for the Bonanza team has twice beaten Chiloquin this year.

In the consolation bracket it is a close race between Langlois, Kerby, Henly, Prospect and Rogue River. The finals, to be played Saturday night at seven o'clock, will probably be between Henly and Rogue River, with Rogue River favored to win out, according to the dope bucket.

Following is the schedule for the remainder of the tournament:

Saturday—4 p. m., fourth-place playoff.
8 p. m., third place play-off.
-p. m., championship play-off.
Consolation Bracket:
Saturday 7 p. m., finals for fifth place.

Basketball tournament scores:
Paisley 23, Phoenix 20
Talent 38, Langlois 22
St. Mary's 42, Gold Hill 22
Bonanza 36, Riverton 25
Central Point 22, Rogue River 15
Gardiner 34, Henley 25
Chiloquin 36, Prospect 14
Jacksonville 88, Kerby 17
Southernlin 40, Sams valley 15
Langlois 41, Phoenix 14
Talent 28, Paisley 14
Henley 30, Sams Valley 12
Prospect 37, Gold Hill 24
Rogue River 24, Riverton 16
Bonanza 23, Central Point 20
Gardiner 50, Sutherland 13
Chiloquin 40, St. Mary's 21
Jacksonville 48, Talent 26

Plaza Improvement Awaits Federal Word

While plans for evacuating buildings coming under the Plaza improvement are going ahead and building projects for the new street alignment are being pushed, the state highway commission awaits word from the federal government for the go ahead signal.

Originally the state expected to provide funds for the improvement and after careful study in connection with the rapidly advancing war measures, it was felt that the federal government should take the responsibility. So far the military has not acted and the state authorities will await approval before awarding contracts.

THIS AND THAT

By OLD TIMER

Elimination of the Plaza "bottleneck" is in line with the declaration of the prophet Isaiah—"and the crooked shall be made straight."

"Rents should be raised but not to exorbitant figure," says a spokesman for the local realty board, Mebbe so. We would like to see a diagram showing how such a conclusion is reached. Incidentally, it is quite popular to blame Hitler, Hirohito and Benito for the high cost of living.

One reason the American housewife faces sugar rationing is the 17,500,000 pounds of granulated sugar bought by Soviet Russia under Lend-Lease operations.

March, which was the first month in antiquity, was named so after Mars, the god of war.

The small boy, no doubt, is looking forward to the day when soap, too, is rationed.

Anyone can push a starter, but how many can hitch up a horse?