

The Editor Speaking

SPEAKING OF SLOGANS—

We liked, and pass along, the story about the fellow who, passing the Red Cross headquarters, stuck his head inside the door and said to the knitting ladies: "Remember Pearl Harbor and purr harder."

Then there is the Chinese restaurant proprietor in Toronto whose menu reads: "Free French-Fried Potatoes."

And—although it's surely older than this war, the one about the sentry who, hearing a footstep in the dark, cried: "Halt! Who goes there?"

Came the answer: "American." Sentry: "Advance, American, and recite the second verse of 'The Star Spangled Banner.'" "I don't know it." Sentry: "Pass American!"

We nominate for air raid warden the lady, next door who always detects anything unusual in the neighborhood hours before it happens.

Hamburger bars have been installed in dining cars of trains between New York and Philadelphia. What—no hot dogs?

Vegetables, says a professor, can and do fall asleep. And wake up, no doubt, to find themselves in the soup.

THIS AND THAT (By OLD TIMER)

To the Editor:

With the sale of new autos and trucks banned pending rationing and with the rationing in effect, "my kingdom for a horse" may become no idle wish.

The Army and Navy need alcohol derived from sugar to make smokeless powder. Saving on sugar means powder for our soldiers and sailors.

The Japs are making certain of one thing—history will never accuse them of being humanitarians.

A Virginia tire theft drew 12 months jail and \$100 fine. The police court justice in imposing sentence said: "We are at war and I don't propose to permit people to go around stealing other people's tires. Tires are gold today."

Some people's idea of cleanliness is to gather up the junk on their premises and deposit it on a convenient vacant lot.

By the way, what ever did become of Mussolini?

Mrs. Earl Leever and son, Richard, returned to their home in Ashland Thursday from Seattle where Richard was under the care of an eye specialist for a few days. His trouble has proven to be not as serious as was feared.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Powell are enjoying a visit from Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sutton of North Hollywood, Calif. Mrs. Sutton, who was Hazel Erickson, is a sister of Mrs. Powell.

Mrs. Clyde Young and daughter, Marilyn are visiting with Col. Young at Camp Lewis. They expect to be away a week or ten days.

Mrs. Bertha Rickli and son Jack of Roseburg returned to their home Tuesday evening after attending the funeral of Mrs. Rickli's brother, Larz Eliason.

Mrs. Martha Addy is reported recovering from a major operation performed in a Medford hospital. Mrs. Will Dodge is teaching in her place at Lincoln school.

To direct health measures among the 250,000 coolies building the 1,700-mile railroad paralleling the Burma road, an allotment of \$1,500,000 of lend-lease funds has been made.

"Love one another, as I have loved you." No estrangement, no emulation, no deceit, enters into the heart that loves as Jesus loved. It is a false sense of love that, like the summer brook, soon gets dry.—Mary Baker Eddy.

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Teaching Corps To Serve Next Year

Board Makes Move In Regular Meeting Here Tuesday Night

All of the present corps of teachers in Ashland schools were retained for next year and a question of raising salaries according to schedule of experience and individual merit, after considerable discussion, ended with being authorized by the district board. The business was transacted at the regular monthly meeting of the board held Tuesday evening.

Other matters claiming official attention included reports by Supt. Theo J. Norby on progress of student manufacture of airplane models, carpentry, mechanics and electrical defense classes; progress of defense precautions at the schools, and the recent NEA convention at San Francisco which he attended.

Norby stated that arrangements have been made for the handling of students during air raids and that sand has been placed in each building for use in extinguishing any incendiary bombs which strike the buildings. Additional sand will be sacked as soon as it can be dried. He also told of plans for handling sugar rationing registration at school buildings and informed them of the increased registration in the schools due to the influx of workers at the cantonment. The board approved his attendance at the city superintendents' conference in Salem Mar. 23. The list of teachers is complete with the exception of junior high school coach to take the place of Al Simpson, who was moved up to high school football coach with the resignation of Frank O'Neill.

Ashland Man First To Make Lake Trip

William M. Briggs reported the first of the week that he successfully negotiated the trip to Lake drive his car as far as Vollmer's o' the Woods the past week-end. Entrance was made from the Klamath side and he was able to reach, about two miles from the junction of the Pelican Bay and Lake o' the Woods road. From that point it was necessary to proceed on snowshoes as snow depth varied from two feet to four feet.

The lake is still frozen over with about two feet of ice, Briggs stated, and in the opinion of those familiar with conditions it is believed the ice will not break up for possibly two months. It also is thought that it would be the first of May or even later before any roads to the lake would be open. Four feet of snow is reported between Ashland and the lake.

K. Falls, Bend Want Berths in League

Klamath Falls and Bend have signified their interest in retaining their franchise in the 1942 Oregon state baseball loop, it was learned this week.

The Elks lodge, for 15 years sponsors of the Bend club, said they could not be interested this season. Baseball players in Bend say they will enter whether or not they have a sponsor. Jack Gordon, brother of New York Yankee's Joe Gordon, will manage the team.

Medford, Albany, Hillsboro and Silverton already have signified their intentions to enter the league. A meeting in Portland Sunday will determine the newing of the Bend and Klamath franchise and the possibility of admitting a Portland club.

ELDERLY COUPLES TO BE FETED APRIL 12

About a year ago the First Methodist church sponsored a service honoring couples of Ashland and vicinity who had been married 50 or more years. The response to the invitation was so general and the tone of the meeting so satisfactory that it has been decided to make the meeting an annual event.

At a recent church meeting the evening of April 12 was selected to honor the elderly couples. A program following the lines of last year's service will be given and a request has been made that anyone knowing of couples in this vicinity coming within the scope of the invitation to please notify Dr. G. W. Bruce either by telephone or note. If this is done promptly the invitations can be sent out in plenty of time.

MEETINGS PROGRESSING

Evangelistic meetings under way at the Church of Christ Second and B streets, have drawn good audiences and interest is growing with each service, according to Rev. Earl Downing, local pastor. Rev. B. Ross Evans is the evangelist. It is expected that a number of Klamath Falls people will attend the services one night during the series.

BONDS—WHICH?



Local Industry Expands to Meet Demand for Popular Products

Snider Coffee House Increases Plant Capacity 400 Percent To Care for Fast Growing Business

Five years ago, come the first of May, a young couple came to Ashland from southern California, rented a small building and set up roasting and grinding equipment to give the people of the Rogue river valley really fresh roasted and fresh ground coffee. The idea caught on rapidly here in Ashland and ere long products of the new concern were finding sale in other communities of the valley. With their faith in their product and confidence in their ability to sell it, the Snider Coffee House, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Snider, proprietors, soon was covering a territory reaching from Yreka, Calif., on the south to Grants Pass to the north.

This in brief, has been the history of the Snider enterprise.

It would be needless routine to go through the stages of expansion, but suffice it to say that the business has increased to the point where it was necessary to increase the capacity of the plant, and this has been underway the past week.

Original equipment was small, designed to serve the needs of

Ashland and immediate vicinity. To meet present demands it was necessary to increase the roaster capacity 400 percent and grinder capacity 600 per cent. This called for more room, and space for warehousing the raw coffee stock was obtained at the rear of an adjoining building, with an option for more space as the demand grows. Facilities for handling the heavy coffee bags have been built and larger loading chutes provided. As coffee is taken from the roaster it is taken across the room to the grinder, from where it is packaged, weighed and started on its way to the sales room and eventually over the counter and out the front door.

In addition to the coffee business, the Sniders have the most complete line of spices in southern Oregon. Then, too, there is a line of fountain syrups and other supplies that work in well with a wholesale business. This with the retail business they have conducted has kept the "company" busy and from the looks of things they will have to use more daylight saving to get everything taken care of.

Time Biggest Factor In Farm War Effort

Time is the most valuable element in the war effort, declares Robert B. Taylor, Oregon USDA war board chairman, in urging the state's observance of "Plan against wartime shortages during the state's observance of 'Plan and Plant for Victory' month, March 9 to 31.

"Tires are short, and so are help, machinery, fertilizer, burlap, and just about every other article that is used on the farm, but time is shortest," Taylor said.

Five things listed that every farmer can do now are:

1. Plan and carry out his farming operations so that his farm will make a maximum contribution to meeting the war food goals set for the county.
2. Make sure that all of his farm machinery is in top shape and ready to go.
3. Report a conservative estimate of his seasonal labor needs to the nearest U. S. employment service office, and make the most efficient use of the available labor supply.
4. Conserve supplies of short materials, such as burlap and baling wire.
5. Be prepared to cooperate with his neighbors in exchanging help, transportation or machinery.

SHARYON AT CAMP ROBERTS

Word has been received in Ashland that Robert Sharyon recently was assigned to the California replacement training center at Camp Roberts for 13 weeks basic training. Sharyon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Sharyon, 31 Gresham street.

Dr. C. C. Dunham attended a meeting of chiropractic physicians in Salem Sunday. The meeting was called for the purpose of outlining to members of the group steps to be taken in entering the medical corps of the U. S. army. Several of the group have made applications for positions with commission ratings.

Eberhart System To Be Given Trial At Kansas City

Crow's nest refereeing in basketball will be given a trial at Kansas City this week during the national tournament. At the invitation of the tournament management, Jean Eberhart, athletic director at Southern Oregon College of Education, left Ashland Sunday morning for the mid-west city to assist in a demonstration of the new system which has proved popular wherever tried in the west.

Information gathered here relative to Eberhart's visit to the national tournament indicated he will supervise a clinic demonstrating the system. It is not expected that crow's nests will be used in the regular games as the system has not been adopted, but if it proves satisfactory to the national tournament officials it might be accepted for future tournaments.

The new style of refereeing was used during the recent invitational peared highly satisfactory. If meet at the local college and apthere was any tendency to slow the game it was not evident to the spectators and the efficiency of the system was not questioned.

Should the system be adopted by the Kansas City officials for next year it is likely that many conferences throughout the country will follow suit.

NEWS FROM FAR EAST

An air mail letter from their son Robert was received Wednesday by Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Andrews. It was mailed from a point in the Far East, where Robert is stationed with the United States navy, and was the first word his parents had received from him since the outbreak of hostilities. The letter stated he was well and he cautioned his folks to believe only those reports released by the high command. Robert is doing his second hitch with the navy, having previously enlisted while of high school age. At the end of his first hitch he returned home to complete his high school work and then returned to the navy.

Oregon's Traffic Death Toll Set

Oregon's traffic death toll for 1941 was set at 396 today by Earl Snel, secretary of state, who said there was a total of 49,674 traffic accidents in the state during the past year. A total of 8,005 persons were injured.

Economic loss due to traffic accidents was estimated at \$17,820,000.

While fatalities exceeded the 1940 toll, the death rate, showing the number of persons killed in proportion to the exposure to accident, showed a slight decrease, Snel said. Traffic accidents took a death toll of 11.6 persons per one hundred million miles of travel compared to 11.9 last year. Oregon was one of the few states in the nation to show any improvement in the death rate in 1941, the rate for the nation as a whole going up four percent.

There were 108 pedestrians killed, a decrease of 18.8 percent from the pedestrian toll of 134 in 1940. Non-collision accidents for 30 percent of the fatalities during the year.

Railroad motor vehicle accidents showed an increase of 27.5 percent but deaths from this type of accident dropped from 16 in 1940 to 15 in 1941. Bicycle fatalities increased from eight in 1940 to ten in 1941.

While 76 percent of the traffic accidents in the state occurred in urban areas, these accidents accounted for only 31 percent of the fatal accidents, indicating that accidents in rural areas are more likely to prove serious, Snel's figures showed. Of the fatal accidents in cities, slightly more than half occurred in residential areas.

Of the 96,712 drivers involved in accidents during the year, 493 were involved in fatalities. Thirty percent of the fatal accident drivers were under 24 years of age, 52 percent were between 24 and 60 years and nine percent were over 60.

Saturdays and Sundays proved the most dangerous days of the week, so far as fatal accidents were concerned. The hours five to 8 p. m. saw the greatest number of fatal accidents. Following the usual trend, most traffic accidents occurred on clear days during daylight hours.

A SON AND HEIR

Friends are congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Don Hinthorne upon the birth of a son. The young man made his debut at 3 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, March 10 and weighed six and one-half pounds. He has been named Thomas Dean.

Dr. Walter Redford, president of Southern Oregon College of Education, attended a meeting of the board of higher education in Portland this week. He returned to Ashland Wednesday morning.

C-C Dinner Plans Going Forward

Governor Sprague To Be Principal Speaker At Annual Affair

Arrangements for the annual banquet of the Ashland chamber of commerce are being carried ahead under full steam by Chairman C. R. Ramsey, the date definitely scheduled for Thursday evening, March 19. The banquet will be held at 7 p. m. in the grange hall at Talent, sponsored by the Talent grange.

Principal speaker will be Governor Charles A. Sprague, discussing a timely resume of Oregon's picture in the present conflict.

Tickets have gone on sale at the Chamber offices and will be available from various volunteer salesmen early next week. It is urged that those persons planning to attend make arrangements to secure their tickets as soon as possible, because of the limited seating facilities.

A special program is being prepared. Walter Stafford, energetic young editor of the Siskiyou Daily News in Yreka, will be toastmaster.

Meanwhile, President R. E. Poston has called a meeting of the board of directors for next Wednesday, March 18, at the Plaza cafe. Routine business accumulating over the past two weeks will be cleared away. All directors are asked to make special efforts to attend.

Harrison Receives First Plaza Check

H. S. Harrison, proprietor of the Harrison Parts company, has received a check for \$1,508 from the state highway department in payment for his Plaza corner property. Backers of the project believe this indicates that plans for improvement will go forward.

So far as known, this is the first payment made on property coming within the improvement zone. Other property owners are said to be negotiating with the state for payment and in the meantime buildings are being vacated.

The Harrison Parts company, first to vacate, now is operating in the former Schuerman grocery building on East Main street. John Laughlin has moved his printery across the street next door to the Western Auto Supply; the Herbert grocery is closing out, as is the Fuller Paint store, leaving only Mitchell's barber shop and Baird's cafe on the ground floor in that section. It is understood that these establishments have arranged for new locations. W. W. Robison, realtor, and J. A. Langtry, insurance, have their offices in the front of the Laughlin printery.

SCOUT COMMITTEE TO MEET MONDAY

A meeting of the Ashland district committee of Crater Lake Area council, Boy Scouts of America has been set for Monday, according to K. A. Wells, Scout executive.

The meeting will be held at 6:15 p. m. at the Plaza cafe. Wells has asked that all members of the committee make a special effort to attend.

Jandreau, Provost Rate First Team

Two Ashland high basketball players, Charlie Jandreau and Bud Provost, were elected on the all-district basketball team in a poll of votes from coaches and sports writers in Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass and Roseburg.

Jandreau, who was elected captain, became the first player to make the first team three years in a row. First team selections were Jandreau and Hank Harman, Medford, forwards; Bill Wall, Medford, center; Don Fawcett, Medford, and Provost, guards.

Second team places were won by John Gray, Grants Pass, Neil Ed Hughes, Roseburg, center; Schrimpf, Grants Pass, forwards; Bob Havard, Grants Pass, and Chet Fowler, Ashland, guards. Bill Green, Ashland, center, won honorable mention.

Youths Have Chance At League Play

Young men who want to play baseball will have a chance to break into the Oregon state league competition for the summer when the Medford Craters hold a baseball school at the Craters' park, the old county fairgrounds lot, Saturday and Sunday.

Because the army is taking so many young men from the valley, Dutch Lieber, team manager, and Hoosier Hoffer, veteran coach, are stressing youth for the Crater team this coming summer.

Those trying out are required to bring only gloves and shoes.