

The world surely is out of joint. There's only one way to be wise and about a million ways for a fellow to make a fool of himself.

Washington announces that the WPA is no more. Should be a drop in the price of shovel handles.

From the way some stenographers punctuate and spell they must have been hired for their glamor instead of their grammar.

Some men ask their doctors to send them to a warmer climate and others beg their doctors to prevent them from going.

Many friends who say they are willing to stand for us refuse to make a move for us in an emergency.

We have joined the Allies in a righteous war, and to the pacifists who would divide us we would say, "What God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

A man may be a patriot without being able to repeat the words of the Star Spangled Banner. In fact, few people know the full text of the Declaration of Independence or the Constitution of the United States. The test of patriotism is not a capacity for memorizing.

Press reports say that German soldiers are "engaged in a battle with lice." The "lice" probably are mounted on skulls and armed with bayonets.

President Roosevelt made a lot of fun about the "horse and buggy days," but he has given us a big push back that way. We may go back even farther, to the "walk, you sucker, walk" days, for it probably will be harder to find a horse than it is to find a second-hand tire.

General MacArthur assured the Filipinos, as well as the rest of the world, that Uncle Sam will run the Japs out of the Islands. Since Wednesday the Japs can assure the rest of the world that they are on their way out.

THIS AND THAT
By OLD TIMER

To the Editor:
The "V" must supplant the "\$" in our national effort to win the war.

The Japs have discovered that the boys down under are great on going over the top.

Six horse collars in a row is not a very impressive record for the Ashland high baseball team.

According to a sports story there are many football stars in the army. Well, we'll be able to use a lot of expert punters when it comes to kicking the Japs out of the Philippines.

"Wrong Way" Corrigan has joined the army air corps ferrying command. As he left on his first delivery flight, Corrigan said: "Don't worry, compass or no compass, I'm taking these army planes the right way now."

After May 30, in behalf of wool's conservation, new trousers will be cuffless, two-pants suits are banned and vests with double-breasted coats are prohibited. What next?

Some of the so-called parking lots need a manicure.

DEPARTING TEACHER
COMPILES BOOKLET

M. L. Kathan, who is leaving Ashland immediately following the close of school, recently completed compiling and printing a small booklet entitled "Sparks of Life." The edition was printed in the junior high school printing department and was gotten up as a souvenir for teachers and students.

Kathan, after two years at the junior high school, where he instituted a printing course, will move to Portland to take up work as a which will be used for crating.

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Enrollment In Ashland Schools Shows Increase

A gain of at least 97 students is noted in the Ashland school system, according to a report submitted by Supt. Theo J. Norby to the school board Tuesday evening. This increase is credited almost entirely to the influx of new families due to work at the cantonment and has been absorbed in the several schools of the city with little inconvenience, Norby stated.

Other items in the superintendent's report included an account of the carpentry classes, another cantonment-inspired activity recently completed at the junior high school. From 40 to 50 graduates of the courses secured jobs at Camp White.

Fifteen defense students completed special electrical courses this week, 12 taking the final examination at the conclusion of defense auto mechanics courses. It is understood that virtually all will be able to secure mechanical jobs through the state employment office, the superintendent stated.

First tentative plans for the budget for the 1942-43 school year were laid in Tuesday night's meeting. The school board will study the proposed schedule on the evening of May 12, barring change of schedule, and the citizens committee will study it May 20.

Resignation of Miss June Brasted, physical education teacher at the high school, was presented and accepted. Miss Brasted has been tendered a year's scholarship at Wellesley, noted woman's college. The board named Miss Nellmae Holmes, graduate of Klamath Union high and Pacific university at Forest Grove, as her successor. Joseph Rorer, Oregon State college graduate, has been named to succeed M. L. Kathan, whose work at the junior high school ends June 1.

A successor to Al Simpson's coaching job at the junior high school has not been made. The board is taking time to locate a coach who will not be subject to immediate military service. Neither has a successor to Elliott MacCracken been considered as the board will not deem him out of service until he is accepted by the army.

Angling Season Opens Saturday

General angling season for trout six inches or over in length opens Saturday, April 18, in all sections of the state with the exception of Baker, Grant, Harney, Lake, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Wheeler and Maheur counties, where the opening is postponed until May 2.

The bag limit remains the same as last year, 15 fish or 15 pounds and one fish in any one day, but not to exceed 30 fish or 30 pounds and two fish in any seven consecutive days or in possession at any one time. The angler, however, should consult the synopsis of angling regulations issued by the game commission for a list of waters having special seasons and bag limits, it is advised.

Resident angling license fee is \$3 but a combination hunting and fishing license may be secured for \$5. Resident juveniles from the age of 14 up to but not including 18 years of age may secure an angling license for \$1, while those under 14 years of age do not need a license but must observe other regulations in regard to seasons and limits.

Advance reports indicated that most waters, particularly along the coast section, are in good shape and should provide good fishing at the opening of the season provided weather and water conditions do not change in the meantime. To date there have been very few restrictions made by the government due to water conditions that would affect anglers so that practically all of the major fishing waters are open to the public.

Anglers are urged not to forget to fill out catch record cards reporting on the results of their fishing trips. These cards can be secured from license agencies, fishing resorts, sportsmen's organizations and state police officers.

HOUSING FACILITIES ACUTE

Housing facilities in Ashland are becoming acute, according to the Ashland chamber of commerce. Residents having rooms, apartments or other living accommodations have been asked to register either with local real estate brokers or at the chamber of commerce office.

It sometimes happens that even a big crowd represents a failure.

The Amazon river in South America is the second longest river in the world, with a length of 3,700 miles.

JEEPTOONS

By Fighting Men



Grand Opening of Boulevard Market Saturday Event

Saturday, April 18 is the date set for opening the Boulevard Market, Ashland's latest food store. The handsome new store, modern in every detail including fluorescent lighting, was recently completed at a cost of \$12,000 and will house the combined M&N stores which have been operated by Everett McGee and Dick Neill for several years.

The new market is located at the corner of Beach street and Siskiyou boulevard on the lot formerly occupied by the Alpha house. Parking space has been provided for between 40 and 50 cars, making drive-in shopping a popular feature of the new establishment.

Special events have been planned for opening day, including free breakfast from 9 to 12, a treasure hunt, and a pet show in the afternoon for which prizes will be awarded.

In addition to a complete grocery service, the Boulevard Market will carry a full line of meats. This department will be under the management of Bill Brown, well known Ashland market man who has been with the East Side Market for many years.

Faith in Ashland's future and a desire to concentrate their business under one roof prompted the former M&N proprietors to make this move, Mr. McGee stated.

WATSON-SPAYDE NUPTIALS EVENT OF THIS AFTERNOON

The parlors of the Church of Christ will be the scene at 2 p. m. today of the marriage of Miss Ella Watson, daughter of Mrs. Dan Watson, and Joe Spayde, popular Southern Oregon College of Education athlete. Rev. Earl F. Downing will perform the ceremony.

Both contracting parties are students at the local college. Mr. Spayde has been inducted in service and is remaining at home here awaiting orders. He took the course in civil aeronautics offered at the college last year.

IT WAS OUR OWN DR. TAYLOR, NEVERTHELESS

Portland papers of early this week carried a short story from La Grande relative to a meeting of Theta Delta Phi, men's national honorary scholastic fraternity, at Eastern Oregon College of Education. In mentioning election of officers, it was stated that Dr. A. S. Taylor of Oregon College of Education had been chosen national president.

Dr. A. S. Taylor was elected national president, all right, but a Miner sleuth, desirous of giving his readers the correct information on all such matters, ran down a possible clue here in Ashland and sure enough, the party in question is none other than our own Dr. Arthur S. Taylor, history authority extraordinary at Southern Oregon College of Education.

Retailers Note Trade Increase

Retail merchandising has hit a forward stride in Ashland since the advent of cantonment workers. This fact was revealed in an informal survey recently completed by the chamber of commerce. Increases between 10 and 30 percent were noted and this is regarded as a direct result of the influx of new people with corresponding wage disbursement.

Listed among business concerns enjoying the heaviest increase are clothing stores, restaurants, garages and service stations, the survey shows, although practically all other lines are feeling the inflow of "liquid cash."

The survey did not attempt a count on the number of new families brought to Ashland as a result of the cantonment work. Through school figures, light and water connections and other sources, the minimum may be considered in excess of 250 families, the chamber estimates.

The Sea of Galilee, a lake in Palestine, through which the River Jordan flows, is situated 680 feet below sea level.

All-Out Effort Needed to Prepare Civilian Defense, Coordinator Declares

"Business as Usual" Attitude Hindering Work of Preparing Citizens for Home Front Defense

"Business as usual" is hindering development of a "home front army" and unless citizens take training efforts more seriously complications may arise that will prove embarrassing. That is the opinion forcibly expressed by Harry McNair, civilian defense coordinator for the Ashland area.

Citizens, those of an age and of physical fitness who should be shouldering the burden of home defense, are displaying a lack of interest in training for eventualities which no one can say may or may not happen, McNair declares, and the time has arrived when something drastic will have to be done.

E & S Lumber Co. Starts Cutting

After spending several weeks putting the plant in shape, the E & S Lumber company started cutting lumber Tuesday morning. Final sawings had been done previously but not until Tuesday was a regular crew assembled for operations.

The new concern is operating the Coggins plant in the edge of Ashland. D. C. Evans, one member of the firm, is in charge of plant operation and states that the mill will turn out 30,000 feet daily. The other member of the firm, Merrill Stoddard, is for the time being employed at Camp White where his knowledge of lumber is being put to good use in the purchasing department.

Product of the mill, mostly fir at this time, will be shipped, none of it to be used locally. It is presumed the government will be the principal buyer, as that is the market for most mills at present.

A recent estimate released by lumber association authorities stated that the government will need 30,000,000,000 feet of lumber this year, 7,000,000,000 feet of which will be used for crating.

Concert Scheduled For 3 P. M. Sunday

The second concert in the "American Unity Through Music" concert series will be held at 3 p. m. Sunday, April 19, in the college auditorium. The Ashland high school Girls' Sextette has been secured as the guest group for this concert.

The Sunday program is as follows:

Community sing—Harriet Koehler.

Baritone Solo—"Dedication," Franz; "On the Road to Mandalay," Speaks, and "Stout Hearted Men," Romberg—Bill Alves.

Piano—"In a Birch Canoe," Bender—Helen Little; "Andante," Clementi—Helen Hearing; L'Avantache," Heller—Penelope Whetstone.

Violin—"Ave Maria," Bach-Gounod; "Souvenir," Drdia—Genevieve Kent.

Soprano Solo—"Songs My Mother Taught Me," Dvorak; "Indian Love Song," Frimi—Lida Mae Baylor.

Guest—"Madrigal in May," Newton; "Balloons in the Snow," Boyd; "Lift Thine Eyes," Mendelssohn; "Piper's Song," Boughton—Ashland High Girls' Sextette. Personnel—Sue Parkinson, Marilee Erwin, Betty Jo Burns, Mouryne Burton, Dolores Erwin, Shirley Weiss. Wilma Froman at the piano.

In size, Idaho ranks 12th among the states of the Union.

To quote the coordinator: "Too many of our people, while admitting that home defense is a good thing, cannot think of taking the training until certain social engagements have been wiped off the calendar. Then, too, it may interfere with some current activity which appears to come first. This attitude will have to be changed, and right soon, if we don't want to face disaster. Just how many of these citizens know how to handle an incendiary bomb, or just how many of them will know how unless they take special training under experts?"

April 13 Danger Line

April 13 was set as the danger line by the Pacific defense area council. A survey of timbered areas shows that lowland units are dry enough for forest fires now and by the time warmer weather arrives that danger will be greatly increased. Officials state it will be necessary to curtail use of the forested areas to those people who have business there. Forest fires have a double significance this year, for aside from the loss of timber there is a shortage of men to cope with the situation and it is almost certain the enemy will attempt nuisance raids in which the timbered areas would be the most likely targets.

It has been the aim of the defense council to avoid imposing on elderly people in home defense work, but lack of interest on the part of able bodied citizens about to force such a move, McNair declared. It is well for everybody to know about handling incendiary bombs, he continued, but younger, more active people can do more effective work in combating them. In this connection he called attention to the booklet on home defense recently prepared and distributed by the governor's office. People receiving these booklets are advised to study them as the time may come, and soon, when they will need the advice contained therein.

Classes are available for instruction in home defense and the council is urging everyone to attend. It is as essential to learn what not to do as to learn what to do, McNair concluded.

Lions Club Invited

To College Songfest

Ashland Lions are throwing their shoulders back and lifting their chins a little higher this week—and no wonder. The music department at Southern Oregon College of Education, through the director, Miss Lucie Landen, has extended an invitation to the club to join in a community sing at the college auditorium Sunday afternoon, April 26. To further inflate the roaring tribe, the boys have been asked to sing two numbers.

As a result of this unexpected honor, the program hour was devoted to rehearsing and there is promise of a pleasant diversion for those attending the songfest. Lioness Cay Huffman is drilling the chorus and reports she is not too discouraged with the outlook.

A communication from the Junior Civic League requesting cooperation of the Lions in the forthcoming USO program of entertainment for cantonment soldiers resulted in acceptance by the club and the appointing of a committee headed by Al Snider to work with committees from other groups in Ashland.

John Bell, representing the senior class of Ashland high school, made a brief announcement about the annual senior play, scheduled for April 22.

FORUM LUNCHEON SET FOR NOON TODAY

Regular April forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce has been scheduled for noon today (Friday) at the Lithia hotel.

A good program has been arranged by Chairman Walter Redford, who states that the meeting, scheduled for 12 o'clock, will be over by 1 o'clock, enabling business men to return to their stores shortly thereafter.

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