

## The Whole Town is Talking Firemen's Ball Thurs. Night!

### THIS AND THAT (By OLD TIMER)

To the Editor:  
It'll be a war Christmas this year. However, there is no reason why it shouldn't be a Merry Christmas for the kiddies.

There will be no electrical or mechanical items such as trains, construction sets and other goods made of metal, except those left over from last year's unsold stock.

Wooden substitutes for metal toys will be commonplace even more than last year, thus assuring plenty of wooden toys and games.

Ration tokens, looking something like tiddlywink discs, will be put into circulation next February. They'll at least give the butchers a little diversion to while away the idle hours.

Though 445,000,000 pounds of turkey have been set aside for civilian consumption, Uncle Zeke offers three-to-one that all he'll get Thanksgiving Day is the gizzard.

FBI has 75,000,000 fingerprints; or about as many as the average mother can find around the jam closet.

The way he stretches it, Herr Goebbels apparently regards the truth as some sort of synthetic rubber.

The U. S. Senate calls itself the "greatest deliberative body on earth," when it is only the most talkative.

Not only are the days becoming shorter, but the roads to Berlin and Tokyo are becoming shorter daily.

This is the time for taking an inventory of our blessings. Not just for turkey, cranberry sauce and mince pie.

Filipinos are named in honor of King Felipe II of Spain.

The British Army left the United States November 25, 1783.

AHS FOOTBALL SCORE	
Ashland	25
Yreka	18

### Local AHS Teacher Wed Friday Night

Miss Mary Gean Hendricks, popular teacher at Ashland high, became the bride of Cpl. E. H. Forgas last Friday evening. Chaplain Boldt of Camp White read the marriage vows using the double ring ceremony. The marriage took place at the home of Miss Florence Allen.

Miss Allen with Mrs. John Koehler as accompanist, sang, "Because" and "I Love You Truly".

Mrs. Forgas is the daughter of Mrs. Geannie Hendricks of Omaha, Nebraska. She was graduated from the University of Nebraska. Cpl. Forgas, the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Forgas of St. Louis, Missouri, was graduated from the University of Missouri.

Elder E. W. Pratt of Wenatchee, Washington is visiting at the Rev. Ward E. Pratt home this week. He will fill the pulpit Sunday at the Church of the Brethren in the absence of his son, the pastor, who is attending a BYPD meeting at Waldport, Oregon.

**HOWARD ODEN**  
and Companion  
Are Invited to Be Guests of the  
SOUTHERN OREGON MINER  
to see  
at the VARSITY THEATRE  
(Friday and Saturday)  
"LEATHER BURNERS"  
PLUS  
"THE MOON IS DOWN"  
or  
(Sunday, Monday, Tuesday)  
"I DOOD IT"  
Please call at the Miner Office  
for Your Guest Tickets

### WCTU MEETS AT WHEELER HOME

Because of Thanksgiving falling on the regular meeting date of the W.C.T.U., the meeting was set ahead two days convening on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. M. W. Wheeler on North Main. The business session was held first, at which time a letter from the Children's Farm Home was read and discussed. There is a shortage of house mothers at this home sponsored by the W.C.T.U., and it is requested that if any women in Ashland are interested in such positions that they get in touch with The Children's Farm Home, Corvallis, Oregon.

Mrs. Lula Smith led the devotions in keeping with Thanksgiving, using Ps. 103 for the Scripture lesson.

Mrs. Loree was in charge of the program discussing the views of J. Edgar Hoover of the F.B.I. on prohibition. Mrs. Reba Kelsey read an article on juvenile delinquency. The possibility of a building in Ashland for boys' club work was discussed. There is no juvenile court director in Ashland and only one in Medford.

Lucille McKay read an article on liquor advertising, and Mrs. Mabel Russell Lowther read a paper on "Christian Citizenship".

There were 22 present, and Mrs. Wheeler served dainty refreshments at the social hour.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Verne Cary on Liberty Street.

### MANY JOIN ASHLAND USO CRAFT CLASSES

USO craft classes starting up again to offer opportunity for Christmas gift construction, are held Friday afternoons, 2 to 5, and Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 8-11. Director, Bayonne Glenn invites the Ashland public to visit the classes and join in the fun if it appeals. No artistic ability is needed, she stated, other than the ordinary complement of two hands—which may be all thumbs to construct such appealing articles as painted trays, gift boxes, tooled leather wallets and cigarette holders. Also new patterns of Christmas card designs are on hand.

A large supply of wooden trays, leather, paints and other material has just been received, the cost of which will be small because handled by the USO without profit. For instance, material to construct an artistic tray including the wooden tray, paint and pattern is from 50 to 75 cents.

Soldier wives are urged to visit and enter these classes, as are all citizens of Ashland, to become acquainted with each other and with the Ashland USO, and to enjoy a pleasant hour or so constructing articles for one's own use or for gifts.

Classes are informal, no regular attendance necessary, and the work is individual with construction advice available.

Dr. and Mrs. George W. Bruce spent Monday afternoon in Medford on business.

### OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat

FOR THE BLESSINGS OF LIBERTY...  
FOR THE ABUNDANCE OF THIS GREAT LAND...  
FOR THE FRUITS OF THEIR LABOR...  
OUR FOREFATHERS GAVE THANKS.

FOR OUR PRIVILEGE TODAY:  
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DYNAMIC PROGRESS OF A FREE PEOPLE.  
TO BEND EVERY EFFORT TOWARD A COMPLETE VICTORY FOR THIS PRINCIPLE OF FREEDOM.  
TO GUARD OUR AMERICAN HERITAGE WELL THAT WE MAY PASS IT ON—CLEAR AND STRONG—TO OUR CHILDREN FOREVER.  
LET US GIVE THANKS.

### Musical Program Enjoyed Last Sunday

Music lovers enjoyed a fine treat at the Vesper Musical program held at the Methodist Church last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Frank Davis was the organist, Miss Ann Crandall, violinist, Mrs. L. E. Merriman, soloist, and Mrs. J. W. McCoy, accompanist. The program was arranged as follows:

- Hymn with chimes, "Now on Land and Sea"
- "First Movement, Unfinished Symphony" - Schubert
- Mrs. Frank Davis
- Hymn - "Day Is Dying in the West", congregation
- Pastoral Prayer - Dr. G. W. Bruce
- "I Thank Thee, Lord" - H. Dixon Loes
- Mrs. L. A. Merriman
- "Fantasie in E. Minor" - Merkel
- "Andante Contabile" - Tchaikowsky
- "Preghiera" - Fritz Kreisler
- Ann Crandall
- "On Wings of Song" - Mendelssohn
- "In Summer" - Stebbins
- "Romance from Les Preludes" - Liszt
- Mrs. Frank Davis
- "The Lords Prayer" - Malette
- Mrs. L. A. Merriman
- "Dreams" - Wagner
- Mrs. Frank Davis
- Benediction with organ response.

### Emigrant Wagons Enter Oregon

Leaving the Snake, the route led northwest to the Malheur river. The emigrants camped at some warm springs, near the Vale of today. The Malheur, a small stream, was fordable.

The name Malheur is made up of two French words, "mal" meaning bad or evil and "heur" meaning luck or chance. It was so named by Peter Skene Ogden in 1825, because some goods and furs he had "cached" on its banks had been discovered and stolen by the Indians.

Leaving the Malheur, the Trail turned north, coming again upon the Snake river near where Olds Ferry was established in the "sixties" to handle the travel to the gold mines of the Boise Basin. The Trail continued along the Snake to where the river entered a deep, narrow canyon and flowed in a northerly direction to become the boundary line between Oregon and Idaho for two hundred and twenty-five miles. The point where the Trail left the river was called Farewell Bend, a short sweep of the river with low banks, affording an easy crossing, where the emigrants departed the river without regret. The Trail climbed the easy slope of foothills, and dropped into a little valley on the Burnt river at the site of the present Huntington, Oregon.

Burnt River was so named by Peter Skene Ogden in 1825 on account of the burned timber he had found on its upper reaches.

It was now September 23rd. The emigrants made camp and rested preparatory to another arduous journey through and over high, forbidding hills which towered above them.

Ed. Note: This is one in a series of stories commemorating the Old Oregon Trail Centennial.

### UNION THANKSGIVING SERVICE TO BE HELD AT CHURCH OF CHRIST

Union Thanksgiving services will be held this year at the Church of Christ, Thursday morning at 10:30. Chaplain D. S. Lacquement, Captain, from Camp White, will give the Thanksgiving address.

The quartet from the Church of Christ will offer special music. An offering will be taken for China Relief.

### TALENT NEWS

The ladies of the Methodist Church held their annual bazaar at the City Hall on Thursday afternoon of last week. They report a good attendance and a good sale of their many nice and useful articles.

Mrs. Charles Skeeters and Mrs. Herman Sommers spent Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Archie Monroe at Central Point.

Mr. Lincoln McCulloch of Wagner Creek was transacting business in Talent, Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Jay Long of White Owl, South Dakota is spending a month in Oregon visiting relatives. She is a daughter of Mr. Ben Clark.

The ladies club of this vicinity have united in the sponsoring of a rummage sale to be held at the Valley Locker rooms on Saturday, November 27. Funds are for the repairs and redecorating of the old Baptist Church. Much interest is shown by the local citizens as the church is an old landmark having been erected in 1870.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Estes and Mr. and Mrs. John Smith were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Sommers and family at Prospect. Mr. Sommers is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Estes.

Mr. Al Sherard, who spent the summer on the Dead Indian, returned to Talent for the winter.

Mrs. Belle Skeeters spent Tuesday at Prospect at the home of her son Everett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith of Glendale, Oregon are visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Estes.

Mr. Fred Hodapp of Central Point visited friends in Talent Wednesday.

Mrs. Royal Bates spent a couple of days last week with relatives in Klamath Falls.

Miss Lottie Beswick of Bellview and Mrs. Sarah Clark of Ashland were callers in Talent Thursday afternoon.

Nate Hamilton, a Talent resident, passed away in Medford Wednesday of last week. Funeral services were held at Perl Funeral Parlor in Medford last Saturday. Interment was made in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at Medford.

### SGT. APPLEWHITE VISITS IN ASHLAND

Sgt. Warren Applewhite visited the campus of the Southern Oregon College this week while at home on leave from his station in Alabama, where he is engaged in chemical warfare science. Sgt. Applewhite was a junior college student at SOCE 1938-1939, and after graduation went to complete his course at the State College in Corvallis.

### C. of C. President Attends Meet at Eugene Monday

Homer Billings, president of the local Chamber of Commerce, attended a one-day meeting Monday in Eugene of the Chamber of Commerce Secretaries of Oregon. In a number of cases the president as well as the secretaries attended and in some cases the president represented the local group.

Representatives were present from Astoria, Portland, Marshfield, Salem, Albany, Eugene, Roseburg, Bend, Klamath Falls, Medford, and Ashland. Mr. Billings reports seeing the secretary of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Lucille Carson Archer, an AHS graduate and a niece of the late O. F. Carson.

The morning session was given over mainly to addresses from two outside speakers, Wm. Hammond, manager of the western division, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, from San Francisco and Dean Victor P. Morris of the School of Business Administration at the University of Oregon. The afternoon session was devoted to business and discussion of problems presented by various Chamber of Commerce delegates.

Dean Morris made a very fine talk in which he emphasized the need for post-war planning that would stimulate and promote private industry that would increase development of the section of the country in which it was located. He felt that the Public Works feature alone was not sufficient and that it should not be looked upon merely as a maker of jobs for unemployed groups. He is chairman of a committee of 15 appointed by Gov. Snell to study post-war readjustments. They hope to correlate their findings in practical activities that will help to stimulate public works, business and industry, and agricultural interests.

The keynote of Mr. Hammond's address was that post war planning is futile unless some plan can be worked out whereby present industry can lay aside a certain percentage of earnings for future expansion, maintenance and repairs. The present revenue act does not allow this.

### WHO-DO CLASS TO MEET

The Who-Do Class of the Methodist Church will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Reba Kelsey, 165 No. Main, Friday afternoon at 2:00.

**SHOP EARLY!**  
Send Your Christmas Gifts before  
**DEC. 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**SEND CHRISTMAS GIFTS BY DECEMBER 10!**

To facilitate the movement of heavy war business and travel expected to break all records during the holidays, the Office of Defense Transportation urges the public to complete the sending of all their personal Christmas packages by December 10.

In response to a request of the O.D.T., the Railway Express Agency is taking an active part in this endeavor. It is bringing the message to thousands of shippers, in business and residential districts throughout the country served by its 23,000 offices.

Retail and department stores everywhere are giving full support to the drive, which according to Railway Express, will help keep war materials moving on schedule and enable service men and women, on leave, to get home during the holidays.

### BONDS OVER AMERICA

Near Biloxi, on the Gulf of Mexico, stands the last residence of Jefferson Davis and the house where the confederate president completed his memoirs. Beauvoir now is a home for Confederate veterans.

**Confederate Home**

Defeated men may live in peace and honor under the Stars and Stripes, but under the crooked cross of Nazism there is only ignominy, persecution, death for those who will not bend the knee.

**Keep On Backing the Attack With War Bonds**