

"What makes a man match-happy in the spring of the year when he gets in a fern patch?" This is a question which Mr. Harry Chipman, County Keep Oregon Green Chairman, will try to help solve with the aid of Keep Oregon Green committeemen and other citizens of this county. "If we can find out why people set fern fires, maybe we can remove the cause and save thousands of acres of juniper forests which burn up every spring in fern fires in Oregon," the county KOG leader said.

Labeled as fernomaniacs by Dr. O. R. Chambers, Oregon State College psychology head, fern burners last year destroyed 1800 acres of fine young timber, future Oregon forests, and 25,000 acres in 1943.

"Dr. Chambers said fernomaniacs weren't exactly criminals," the county KOG leader commented, "that the real trouble was in their ignorance of what a fern fire will do in damage to young trees. If that is true then I want to ask every citizen of this county to join in the campaign of education of education. If you see someone start a fern fire, go to him and tell him those things: (a) that fire will not destroy ferns, it just kills off competing vegetation and the fern comes back stronger than ever; (b) that fern patches are the natural hot-house for millions of young seedling trees which would die if not thus protected from the strong sun in early years; (c) that fern burning doesn't make good pasture in the long run and the net result is a field of worthless brush where good timber could be growing but for repeated fern fires."

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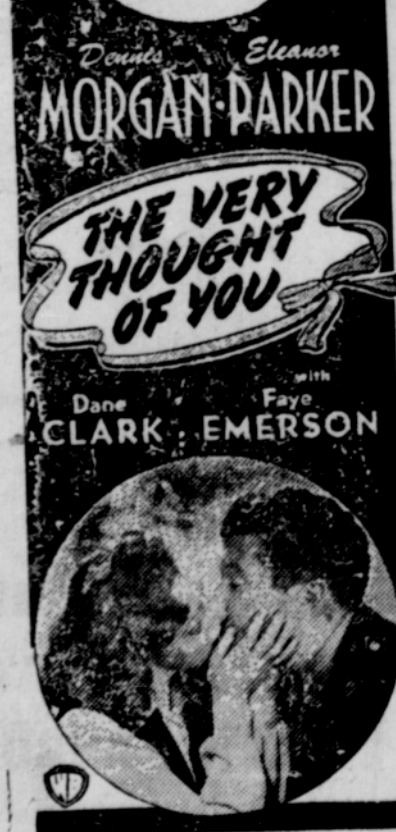
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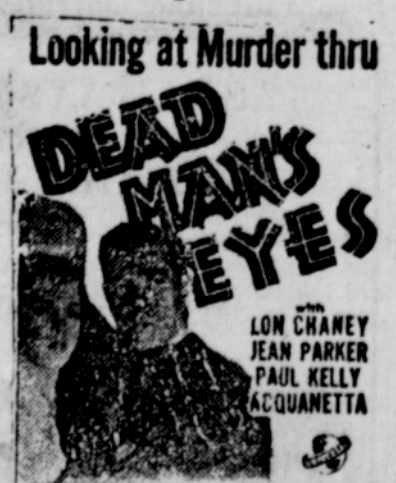
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Legion Dines at the Legion Hall

Sunday evening April 22 at 7 P. M. an excellent and enjoyable dinner was served to the members of the Ashland Post no. 14, its auxiliary and their honored guests, and one of the best attended this year. The Auxiliary President Mrs. J. Q. Adams gave the address of welcome, followed by the singing of America and grace given by the Auxiliary chaplain, Mrs. James Firestone. After the dinner, the program chairman introduced the master of ceremonies, Dr. Walter Redford, Pres. of S.O.C.E. He was given a rousing applause. One of the speakers, Frank Van Dyke, Jackson County representative gave a resume of veteran's legislation passed at the recent session of the State legislature. He is a member of an interim committee, working towards co-relation of state and federal legislation for veterans. His explanation of the different bills passed was interesting and informative. After his talk Mr. Van Dyke held open forum and discussed many related subjects in answering questions.

Major J. E. Hughes, recently discharged from U. S. Army Engineers was another speaker of the evening. In this war his services as a trained engineer was with the service troops with the Persian Gulf Command. He was responsible for the unloading of supplies and building port facilities. He gave an interesting account of his experiences while in charge of assembly plants where trucks and jeeps were assembled. Major Hughes stated that Iran, formerly Persia was interesting, but little changed from Biblical times.

Mr. Paul Byers sang two songs "God Be With Our Boys Tonight" and "Song of Songs", he was accompanied by Mrs. Marjorie Sedlacek. A reading was given by Mrs. Shirley Barnes, also a poem read, "Just Seeming Happy". The Kiltie Band was represented, they played three numbers. The program ended with group singing with Mrs. Sedlacek at the piano. The Auxiliary received many compliments on the dinner and program.

TALENT NEWS

TALENT, April 24—Cpl. Leslie Mason is on furlough from the army and is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Vic Mason and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Williams of Wagner Creek were Talent callers Wednesday. Mr. Williams is recovering from a recent injury in which he suffered three broken ribs.

Mr. S. E. Edwards transacted business in Ashland Wednesday afternoon.

"Busy as a Beaver" a three-act comedy presented by the Talent high school student body Friday night was well attended and very much enjoyed. This was held in the school gymnasium. The cast of characters were Kenneth Grace, Roland Quackebush, Chester Rapp, Marvin Hart, Lucille Marquess, Betty Montgomery Lilly Millage, Delores Hawley, Natalie Hayse, Delores Chapman, Betty Negles, and Leola Lindstrom. Mrs. Elenita Bayles directed the play and the Talent orchestra entertained with music.

Mr. M. Miles of Ashland formerly of the Talent Camp ground was a Talent caller Saturday.

Mr. H. E. Morgan of Medford visited friends here Monday.

The Talent Fire men held a benefit dance Saturday night at the City Hall with a large crowd. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served through out the evening.

E. A. Jennings has purchased a logging truck from C. Ragsdale of Trail. He is hauling for C. L. Skeeters logging Co.

Several large properties changed ownership during the past week. The Laughlin place and Decker place on the Old Pacific Highway in Talent having been sold.

Mrs. Ella McMahon left Monday evening by train for Eugene to visit her daughter and son in law Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy. She plans on staying a couple of weeks.

Mr. Ben Clark is spending the week in the Ruch district building a fireplace.

Community Club held its regular meeting in the City Hall Wednesday afternoon.

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Mrs. Charles Skeeters spent the week end in Prospect.

SOCE Faculty Member Resigns

Southern Oregon College of Education, Ashland April 24—Dr. Edwin Westerman of the faculty of the Southern Oregon College of Education has resigned to go to the University of Colorado at Boulder. He will succeed Dr. S. Harrison Thomson who is leaving the University of Colorado to become cultural attache to the American embassy in Czechoslovakia. Dr. Thomson is author of a history of Czechoslovakia and was editor of the "Journal of Central European Affairs." Dr. Westerman will assume editorship of this Journal whose function, he states, is to give small European countries an international medium through which they can express their problems. Dr. Westerman states that in addition to editing and teaching he will continue research in medieval European history.

Dr. Walter Redford, president of the Southern Oregon College of Education, expressed regret to lose Dr. Westerman who has been on the Ashland faculty approximately a year, having taken up are work of Dr. Arthur S. Taylor now serving as assistant field director of the American Red Cross at San Diego. Both Dr. and Mrs. Westerman have made themselves a part of the community. Mrs. Westerman is a professional librarian and has been active in the local chapter of the American Association of University Women. They will leave for their new home within a week or ten days.

One of the very bright social events of the spring season was the one in which the members of the Fortnightly Study Club entertained their husbands at a six thirty dinner last Monday evening. The dinner was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Brisco on Siskiyou Boulevard. The guests were seated at flower-centered tables in the two large front rooms. A two course dinner was served, following which the guests were led in games by Mrs. John Billings. The committee in charge and assisting the hostess through the evening was Mrs. Eric Weren, Mrs. C. M. Litwiller, Mrs. H. H. Elhart and Mrs. John Billings.

Daniel Robert Snell of Ashland forfeited a five dollar bail in Justice court when he failed to appear in answer to a charge of driving with four persons in one seat of his car.

Leon Malcolm Haynie, 18, waived preliminary hearing in Justice court on April 19th on a charge of larceny in the theft of \$75 from a local feed store. He was bound over to the grand jury for further action.

James Adams forfeited five dollars bail in justice court on a charge of permitting an unlicensed minor to operate his car.

Mrs. Jack Curry and son Graham left for San Francisco on business this week. While in that section they will visit with relatives at El Monte.

Sgt. and Mrs. Chas. Dahlke and Sgt. and Mrs. Bernard Krug spent Sunday afternoon visiting in Ashland.

Mrs. Delia H. Rose of Ashland was fined \$150 and costs and given a 20 day jail sentence in city court this week on a drunk and disorderly charge. \$100 and the jail sentence were suspended on condition that the \$50 and costs be paid and of future good behavior.

R. W. Martin of Los Malinos, California, was in Ashland for several days this week on business.

Mrs. Jessie Hunt of Ontario, Oregon, has purchased a home in Ashland and will make her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hormack of Eugene were business callers in Ashland for several days.

H. L. Moore, Ashland real estate man, was a business visitor in Medford Monday.

Mrs. Early of Tule Lake transacted business in Ashland this week.

Mrs. Zerreta Reed left Wednesday morning to return to her home at Alameda, California, after spending two weeks visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Emmett.

Cited to appear in Justice Court this week were Roy Clarence Heiney of Malin, Oregon, on a charge of not having a muffler and not having a rear view mirror on his truck. Archie Ernest Valentine was cited to appear on a charge of not having a driver's license.

Bob Huffman writes his mother that he is stationed at Camp Howze, Texas, where he is getting basic training as an infantryman. He was recently inducted in Portland. He worked for COPCO prior to induction.



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"Judge, remember that place up in the mountains where we went trout fishing last year?"

"I sure do, George. We had a great time up there, didn't we?"

"I'll never forget it. But this will interest you, Judge. I heard just yesterday that the revenue men raided a big still right near there. Guess that's where all that high-priced moonshine we heard about has been coming from."

"Wouldn't be a bit surprised. I saw in the paper the other day where the Government has raided thousands of such stills during the past year."

"Sounds sort of reminiscent, doesn't it, Judge?"

"Exactly and it's not hard to figure out. As soon as the distillers stopped making whiskey and devoted their entire facilities to the production of industrial alcohol for the Government... the racketeers muscled in again."

"I hate to think of how that might have spread, Judge, if the Government hadn't found it possible, without interfering with our war effort in any way, to permit a short resumption of legal whiskey production recently."