

# This 'n That

by The Old Timer

Gen. U. S. Grant originated the expression unconditional surrender.

Gen. Grant's men had taken the outlying defenses of Fort Mifflin in Philadelphia, 1777, and the fort was completely at his mercy.

Gen. Simon B. Buckner, the Confederate commander, sent a flag of truce to Grant suggesting an armistice and "the appointment of commissioners to agree upon terms of capitulation."

Grant's reply was: "No terms except unconditional and immediate surrender can be accepted. I propose to move immediately on your works." Buckner 'beafed'

about the terms but surrendered. Hirohito who claims he's descended from a Sun Goddess, couldn't take it when the heat was on, and bowed to the terms of the Potsdam Ultimatum. "So sorry," and no doubt means it.

The steward of an Alaskan ship charged with dumping overboard over 3000 pounds of edible beef, so that he could get better meat in Seattle, is deserving of a lengthy prison sentence and put on a vegetarian diet.

## Ladies Footwear

We're glad "the old woman who lived in a shoe" belonged to the days of yore, because with these heelless, toeless affairs, she wouldn't be safe any more.

Aunt Mattie says when some girls get dressed for the evening they look like they had missed a good part of the assembly line.

Off Cape Race August 19, 1812, was fought a duel in which the American frigate Constitution vanquished the British ship Guerriere.

Hawaii was annexed to the United States August 12, 1898.

## Miss Laura Billings Is Bride of Kenneth Jones

At a pretty church wedding Sunday evening at 8 p. m., Miss Laura Billings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Billings of Ashland, became the bride of Flight Officer Kenneth Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley C. Jones of Medford. The double ring ceremony was used and the vows were pronounced by Dr. George Bruce, pastor of the First Methodist Church.

Attendants were Miss Ida Willard, maid of honor, Miss Jean Burdette, Medford, and Miss Alice Wooten, Talent, as bridesmaids. Sgt. Ralph Burgess was best man and Bob Littrell and Don Lue were ushers.

Music for the occasion was played by Mrs. Frank Davis and Miss Isabel Green and Miss Pauline Ullstad lighted the tapers. Miss Delores Irwin sang, "I Love You Truly" and "Because" accompanied by Mrs. Davis who played the wedding marches.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones received the congratulations of guests informally as they left the church. A reception for relatives and close friends was held at the Billings home after the ceremony. Summer flowers were used in the rooms and on the table where the wedding cake was cut by bride and bridegroom, Miss Joan Neil continued the cutting.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billings has grown to young womanhood in Ashland and attended high school and Southern Oregon College of Education.

Following a short honeymoon they will leave for Tennessee, where the bridegroom is stationed.

## Local Girl's Picture In Sunday Journal

In the sports section of the Sunday Journal was a picture of Miss Dottie Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Moore, of Ashland, and a former Ashland resident. Miss Moore is catcher on the Lind-Pomeroy girls' softball team, who are Northwest champions, and who will leave this week on an exhibition tour of the Middle West prior to the team's participation in the national tournament to be held in Cleveland in September. Miss Moore is recognized as being outstanding as a catcher in girl's softball leagues.

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# SOUTHERN OREGON MINER

The Paper That Has Something To Say--And Says It

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## Horse Show Is Slated for This Friday Evening

First Night Horse Show and Races Will Be Held at High School Athletic Field Friday.

In the first night horse show and horse races of its kind in Ashland, the Ashland Riding Association has scheduled a full evening's entertainment for this Friday night, August 17, and will be held at the high school athletic field, starting at eight o'clock. Of the twelve events listed, ten will be races, with more than \$600 in prizes offered to contestants.

The first event, scheduled to start promptly at 8 o'clock, is the ladies pleasure horse class, and will be shown in three gaits, walk, trot and canter. Prizes of \$10, and \$5 for first and second and a ribbon for third prize will be awarded the winners.

Children's pony race is the second event. \$10.00 first, \$5 for second and white ribbon for third. Men's pleasure horse class will feature three gaits, walk, trot, and canter and prizes will be \$10 first, \$5.00 second and white ribbon for third. Four event will be the ladies race for cow or pleasure horses with \$15 first, \$10 second and \$5 for third prizes.

Fifth event will be a musical chairs race with prizes of \$15 offered. Sixth event on the program will be a cowhorse race, with \$15 first, \$10 second and \$5 for third places being awarded. Ladies pony express race is listed as seventh event with prizes of \$20 for first, \$15 for second and \$10 for third.

Eighth event is a novelty race with \$10 first, \$5 second and \$2.50 third prize awards. A relay race is the ninth event with three teams of three horses each listed. First prize is \$37.50, second prize \$22.50, and third \$15. Ladies flag race will follow with prizes listed as \$15 first, \$12 second and \$9 for third. Business men's race is eleventh event with a \$30 purse split and the last and biggest event of the evening is the free for all horse race twice around the quarter mile track, open to all horses. A cash purse of \$175 will be split among the three top winners.

## Bellview 4-H Fair August 23

Bellview 4-H club met Thursday, August 9, at the Bellview Grange Hall to discuss plans for a local fair.

The meeting was called to order by the vice president, and group singing of songs learned at camp was led by Jerry Pitts. Mr. Jossy, county 4-H leader, was present at the meeting, and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Owens and daughter Alene of Valley View were also guests.

The fair will be held on Thursday, August 23, at the home of Fred Engel in Bellview. The committees selected for various duties were: Food committee—Mrs. Fred Engel and Mrs. Zittercob; refreshments—Mrs. Henry; prizes—Mrs. Nichols; home economics—Mrs. L. R. Willoughby; and publicity—Mary Jean Henry and Alene Owens.

There will be a picnic dinner, with everyone attending bringing basket dinners and table service. Coffee will be furnished. The refreshments committee will sell pop and ice cream.

## Vets Assistant Opens Medford Offices

E. L. Knight, stationed in Medford as contract representative of the Veterans Administration regional office in Portland, has opened his office in room 201 in the post office building and will be on duty from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. six days weekly.

Knight states that his duties will be to assist returning veterans and their dependents in filing claims for insurance, hospitalization, and general assistance in any matter pertaining to the Veterans Administration. He emphasizes that his work is not to supplant or act in the capacity of service officer for any veteran's organization, but to work with the organization officers in aiding veterans to secure evidence and file claims.

## WAC FRANCES GALLATIN WRITES OF EXPERIENCES IN SOUTH PACIFIC

This is the second installment of a letter received from Miss Frances Gallatin, on duty in the Pacific with the WACS. The concluding installment will be published next week.

Pilfering seems to be a natural characteristic of the Filipinos. We are told that during and after the battle of Manila, most useable furniture and fixtures and parts of buildings were torn out, and carried away which added to the destruction. In our quarters, we've learned to keep everything possible out of plain sight because articles disappear too easily; as all buildings are so open and so many Filipinos work around them, it's difficult to keep track of everything. On the other hand, many Filipinos continually bring gifts, linen, clogs, fruits and flowers to the Americans for whom they work.

A long string of bombed out streetcars, in one part of the city is gradually disappearing. Filipino women and men are tearing them apart and carrying them away to their homes on their heads or backs. I've seen many sheds and shanties or "homes" built from odds and ends of such salvaged materials. Everywhere men, women and children are seen carrying loads on their heads, as bundles of sticks of wood, found in the ruins, several boards, large bundles of laundry, etc. Some carry 2 loads, one suspended from each end of a pole which rests across the shoulders.

At first, the nights were cool, but for sometime now, we often wake up in the morning, wringing wet. The mosquitoes are worse here than I've ever seen them (and they never fail to eat me alive), but the anopheles isn't present, they tell us, even so, we are told to continue taking atabrine.

For a time artillery fire could be heard plainly, especially at night. Fighting is still going on in the hills not far from here. Every few days one or more Japs are caught in the city.

Twice, I went shopping with some of the girls, soon after arriving. Transportation is extremely limited, so ones "rides shanks-pony" or stays home if no army transportation is available. The dust, dirt, crowds, conglomeration of tiny shops, heavy traffic, mostly military vehicles—carratals (pony drawn buggies) some of which are quite colorful and ornate, and other hand pushed or bicycle propelled carts—make shopping a trial. After seeing no civilian vehicles for 8 months, the few civilian cars here are a sight for sore eyes. Most of the carratelas are crowded full—whole families, plus fruits and vegetables for market. The steady streams of such pony drawn vehicles on some streets, is most interesting to watch. You should see the small Philippine cars, most old and rickety, with "side boards", so to speak—the inside packed full and Filipinos hanging on all around. The gas stations are either destroyed or empty with all equipment torn out. Prices are sky high (black market standard, about 2 teaspoons of very sweet paste cream or a small piece of watermelon for one peso (50c) one cup of coffee for 50 centavos (25c) small pieces of linen cutwork for

20 to 40 pesos (\$10 to \$20.) wooden clogs like the wooden clogs like the women wear with painted and perhaps carved design for 10 to 20 pesos. Some of the WACS have done well bargaining with cigarettes and lipsticks (a 25 peso permanent can be purchased for one carton plus one pack of cigarettes).

WACS still wear khaki trousers and shirts while on duty, but are permitted to wear skirts and shirts, or off duty dresses in the evening. Wearing hose and girdles again is quite a nuisance, so many of us don't wear them. We get a big kick out of the soldiers' reaction. Even the cotton khaki shirt looks wonderful to them, after seeing American women in trousers so long. It is rumored that we will be wearing skirts to work soon; don't know how that will be, climbing into and jumping out of army trucks.

The working Filipino women and girls wear clothes similar to American women, but none have stockings and most have no shoes except wooden clogs. Most of the men and boys wear loose blouses or shirts with shorts or trousers. The blouses are either cotton or rayon, colonial print, plain or striped, and some are sheer cotton materials. There are no ready made dresses here now, only materials for sale. A girl of Spanish descent in this headquarters told me the materials are quite good quality but are very high prices—2½ yards of cotton or rayon material for around 45 pesos, Imagine!

After riding through various sections of the city (most of the streets are in very bad repair and full of holes) we find that the part first seen is the supposedly "untouched" section. The remainder is almost completely destroyed. Nothing we had heard about the destruction compares with the actual ruin. After being here only a few days, we became used to seeing ruins everywhere, that "our mouths hang open with astonishment" when we see a home or building unharmed and in a good state of repair. I have seen such homes in the residential sections outside of the city. The President's Palace in the city is relatively untouched, which is most surprising. It still has its original beauty, as gorgeous crystal chandeliers, rugs pictures and furniture. However much of the fine silver, china, and crystal was removed to Japan.

Soon after arriving, while waiting for an interview in a headquarters office, I picked up a newspaper lying on the desk. Imagine my astonishment when I found it was a Fremont County, Idaho, newspaper! And, on the front page, was a news article concerning Extension Meetings held in which Leatha Christensen, Mr. Bennett and Joe Heward had participated! (for the benefit of some readers these are friends with whom I worked before joining the Army.) Small world isn't it?

The headquarters to which I was assigned at Oro Bay was dissolved while we were enroute, so all of us have been reassigned. I am now working in the Phibsec (Philippine Base Section) Headquarters Adjutant Generals Office. (Continued on page 5)

## Booklet Tells of Surplus Property

Thos. A. Crowe, assistant chief of property division of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and Bill Johnson, both of the Portland office were in Ashland Saturday on business. They were primarily interested in the surplus government property, huge stocks of which have accumulated and which is now being disposed of. They left a number of booklets at the Ashland Chamber of Commerce explaining the products which are for sale and outlining the procedure for obtaining this surplus property.

Anyone interested in any of the government surplus items may obtain these booklets by calling at the Chamber of Commerce. It was stated that these booklets will be issued from time to time, all of them containing news lists of materials available. Anyone interested in receiving them may be placed on the mailing list and they will be sent at released, free of charge.

## Jackson Attorney Is Backed for U. S. Job

George A. Coddling, former district attorney of Jackson county and long prominent in democratic circles in southern Oregon, said Saturday that he would accept the appointment as successor to Carl Donough, United States attorney for Oregon, if the post were offered.

Coddling's name was advanced last week by county party leaders when reports from Portland indicated Donough's reappointment had apparently been ruled out by National Committeeman Lee Wallace and State Chairman Henry Aiken. The county leaders, who pointed out that their endorsement of Donough still stands, said they understood Henry Hess, of La Grande, and Bruce Spaulding, of Salem, are being considered for the appointment but that neither has sought Jackson county committee endorsement.

Attorney Coddling entered practice here shortly after his service in World War 1 and has been active in veterans' affairs.

## Lions Club Hears U. of Oregon Coach

Before a large turnout of members of the Lions club at the regular weekly meeting Tuesday evening in the union Civic Club house, "Tex" Oliver, University of Oregon football coach, gave an interesting talk on his recent work as a lieutenant commander in the navy, in charge of the sports program to build up morale in the navy stations in this country and abroad. Mr. Oliver has been in the navy for the past three and a half years, enlisting early in the war, when morale was low, and with several other well known sports figures, sponsored a program to bring all types of sports to the men in the naval stations. All kinds of sports were encouraged with the result that morale was lifted to a much higher degree.

In commenting on his work, Mr. Oliver stated that he had been to practically every naval station abroad and at home. In the course of his three and a half years work he traveled some 200,000 miles by air. He coached a St. Mary's Pre-Flight football team in California one season and was coach for a naval team in the Pacific. Recently discharged, Mr. Oliver is back on duty as coach at University of Oregon.

Two members were initiated into the club, being Owen Gragg and Bill Allen. Several guests were present to hear Mr. Oliver's talk.

Next meeting will be ladies night, when a covered dish dinner will be served to the Lions and their wives. A program of vocal numbers will feature the entertainment part of the program.

## Completes 257th Rug

Mrs. Helen Skidmore has announced the completion of her 257th rug, which is now on display at the J. C. Penney store here. The latest of her rugs is what she terms a fluffy rug and is woven on a hand loom from short colored wools. Mrs. Skidmore is blind and occupies most of her time knitting the rugs. Rugs are furnished through the kindness of her many friends.

## Ashland Observes Signing of Peace By Celebrating

First Hours After Announcement Ashland People Celebrate Wildly

With the final announcement at about 4:30 that Japan had finally surrendered to the Allies, caught Ashland residents in a tense mood, following the announcement most of Tuesday that the final words was expected momentarily, but dragging on until late in the afternoon before the final word was flashed over the teletype.

News of the event was made known to all Ashland by the big siren at the city hall, which let loose with a scream heard to the city limits. It was the signal for a wild celebration, which lasted late into the night. Other whistles on mills, railroad trains, church bells, auto horns and every other means of making noise, was used to let the world know that the end of the war had come. In a matter of minutes every store in town was closed up, as had been recommended by a merchant's committee of the Chamber of Commerce earlier in the week. People began pouring out onto the streets, and the celebration was under way. It lasted until well into the night, when car horns, etc were still sounding off.

Thursday the exuberance of Tuesday's celebration had worn off, and only the closed shops and stores were evidence of the holiday. Very few places in town were open for business and apparently most of the people took advantage of the occasion to take a real holiday. The announcement early in the day, via the radio, that gasoline rationing was suspended, tended to make people wheel out the old family car and leave for spots long unvisited.

The Ashland Ministerial association had announced that there would be a union thanksgiving service to be held in the Methodist church at eight o'clock of the evening that the news came and this was duly held.

## Officers Nab Two for Medford Burglary

Medford city police, state officers and county deputy sheriffs cooperated last week to bring to a sudden end a burglary, which occurred on Wednesday, August 8. Arrested were Byron P. Kenney, 19 of Spokane, and Robert Rose, 25 of Lewiston, Idaho, who were charged with breaking into the Hunt Drug Store at Medford, and removing some cigarettes and \$11 in change. Kenney has admitted the theft. According to the officers who took part in the hunt, the two young men were staying at the Allen Hotel, in Medford, climbed out the windows of the hotel and walked across the roof to the Hunters Drug store, broke through the skylight and one of them was lowered through the skylight to gain entrance into the drug store. They were arrested about 1:30 the next morning, following the disclosure that the drug store had been entered. In the hearing, Rose admitted having a dishonorable discharge from the army and having served time in the Idaho penitentiary for burglary.

## Home At Ruch Is Destroyed by Fire

Fire completely destroyed the Beverly Tichnor home at Ruch Sunday afternoon, it was learned Monday, the same fire damaging the James Wingham and Earl Bigelow homes. Fifteen men from the Star Ranger Station in the Applegate district fought to save the house.

The fire started in the attic of the Tichnor home, spreading throughout the top story of the building before it was discovered by Mr. Tichnor and his daughter. Mrs. Tichnor was working in Medford. Only an electric range and a few pieces of clothing and bedding were saved from the home. Ranger Lee Port and a fire suppression crew battled the fire with pumps and tanks from the forest service equipment.

Walter Lee Mauzey of Ashland was cited to appear in justice court Wednesday, charged with failure to stop at a stop street.

## BAND CONCERT

Thursday, August 16, 1945  
ASHLAND MUNICIPAL BAND  
HARRY L. MEYERS, DIRECTOR  
Lithia Park—8:00 P. M.

PROGRAM

1. El Capitan - March .....Sousa
  2. Straussiana (Strauss Waltzes) arr. by Sereby
  3. High School Cadets - March .....Sousa
  4. I'm Beginning To See the Light .....Harry James
  5. March of Spanish Soldiers .....Smitzky
  6. Dark Town Strutters' Ball .....Brooks
  7. Estilian Caprice .....Gene Paul  
Clarniet Solo - Miss Virginia Loomis
  8. Parade of Wooden Soldiers .....Jessell
  9. Don't Fence Me In - Popular .....Cole Porter
  10. Old Comrades - March .....Teike
- The Star Spangled Banner